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Statue of Gov. Morton in front of Indiana Capitol, Indianapolis

"We must then cling to the idea that we are a nation, one and indivisible, and that, although subdivided by state lines for local and domestic purposes, we are one people . . ." These words of Oliver Perry Morton, Indiana's Civil War governor and the man for whom Morton High School is named, may be found on an engraved plaque between the trophy cases at the front entrance to the school and on the masthead of the *Mortonite*, MHS newspaper.

Gov. Morton was a Hoosier by birth; he was born in Wayne County (Richmond) in 1823, ten years after the famous victory over the British on Lake Erie by Oliver Hazard Perry, after whom he was named. This means that indirectly MHS is the namesake of two men, each of whom played a big role in the Midwest during a time in which the United States government was in grave peril.

Morton became a noted attorney in Centerville. As Bruce Catton pointed out, "In that time and place the law courts had the limelight, and a gifted thunderer was known by the people and could hardly avoid a political career. Morton would not have avoided it." An unsuccessful candidate for governor in 1856, he was elected lieutenant governor in 1860.

Then, with the resignation of Gov. Henry Lane to enter the national Senate in 1861, Lt.-Gov. Morton became Gov. Morton. In the words of Catton, "As far as the Midwest was concerned, Morton was the union cause incarnate . . ." The war years were a time of mental conflict for many Indianaans who lived in the southern part of the state and sympathized with the South. If it had not been for the guidance of Gov. Morton, Indiana might not have supported Lincoln and the northern cause as much as it did.

Although many persons thought that Morton had become a "dictator," a majority of voters in Indiana's 1864 gubernatorial election wanted him to continue filling the governor's chair. However, he resigned from that position two years later to become a United States Senator.

In 1907 a statue of Morton was unveiled in front of the Indiana Capitol in Indianapolis. It faces the Indiana Civil War Soldiers and Sailors' Monument in the heart of the city. What more fitting place for a memorial to the man "ever to be known in history as the Great War Governor"?



Oliver Perry Morton

This was Morton the man . . .



One of eight signs erected by the MHS Association to direct visitors to Morton

But although Gov. Morton
lived many years ago,
his name lives on today . . .



This is Morton the
high school . . .



Morton's Campus

But Morton High is more
than an attractive brick
building on Marshall Ave. . .



MORTONITES' lockers messy? Don't be naive! They may be full, but they're always neat as a pin, as evidenced by Janet Jeppeson's.



"PEACE AND Prosperity" was the theme of the Republicans in the 1956 Presidential campaign. There was no doubt that the latter condition was prevalent as far as high schoolers were concerned; that is, if Morton's student parking lot was any indication.

ONE OF THE MOST popular disc jockeys in the Calumet Region is Dizzy Dixon of Hammond's radio station, WJOB. Dizzy is

shown here surrounded by a group of his Morton fans when he visited the Home of the Governors last winter.



Morton High is essentially
a way of life . . .



HOW DO you like John Zgunda's mint-green sweater and black cords, Larry Bedene's suede shoes and Ivy League trousers, Lynne Fitzwater's Bermudas, and Pat Garson's full skirt with loads of crinolines?

WHAT WAS that in Betty Feldt's lap that had JoAnn Poole so interested when a TOP HAT photographer snapped this picture of a group of Morton girls in the Fat Boy?



MORTON STUDENTS often find a long line confronting them when they wish to purchase their lunches in the school cafeteria. Here a group of students in a lunch line have finally made it to the food



But this way of life is more than waiting in line, driving cars, and sipping malteds . . .

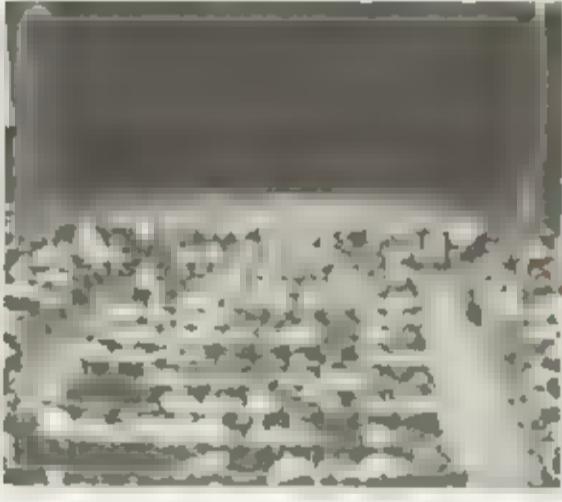
This way of life is mainly a search . . .



Chem. Soc. Demonstration



Registration for Travel Club Membership



High School Assembly



Downtown Hammond



Fun at the Fun Festival



Football Equipment Stored in the Gym



Faculty Meeting

■ a search for education to prepare us to be good, informed citizens and to enable us to succeed in the things we attempt. We look to our *classes* (page 9)

■ a search for "moments to remember," either because of their importance to the welfare of MHS, or because of the pleasure we gain from them. We look to our *events* (page 19).

■ a search for ways to broaden our outlook on life and to better the world about us. We look to our *organizations* (page 37)

■ a search for ways to improve our bodies as well as our minds and to learn good sportsmanship. We look to our *athletics* (page 65)

■ a search for good and lasting friends with whom we can have good times and who are always there in time of need. We look to our *fellow students* (page 81).

■ a search for guidance and assistance in the problems high school students face. We look to our *administration, faculty, and personnel* (page 105)

■ and finally, a search for a sense of values to enable us to obtain quality economic goods at reasonable prices. Having obtained that sense of values, we look to our *TOP HAT advertisers* (page 111).



Morton students learn
by studying, hearing,
observing, and doing . . .

English, Speech, Foreign Language Classes

Mortonites Study Own Language



A RECORDING of Shakespeare's "Julius Caesar" holds the attention of Miss Virginia Davis' sophomore English class. Students studied grammar as well as various types of literature in this class

A PANEL consisting of Jack Ward, Jack Mandernack, Don Ritchey, Judy Klen, Vivian Buldak, and Cecelia Clark is learning good speech habits in Frank Palko's Speech V class



STUDENTS IN Mrs. Norma Kelly's Composition VIII class are using the *Atlantic Monthly*, for which each one subscribed, as a source of information for their weekly themes. Comp prepared seniors for the rigors of college work



but Aren't Limited to English

Students at Morton last year had opportunities to learn to read, write, and speak their own language more effectively through the MHS English Department, headed by Miss Mabel Hunter, and the Speech Department, of which Winston Becker is the head. They might also have studied another language through the Foreign Language Department, of which Walter Ruff is the chairman.

Freshman and sophomore English classes concentrated on underclassmen's learning good grammar and becoming familiar with various types of literature. Basic theme-and-letter writing skills were taught students during their first two years in high school, during which they also were exposed to such literary works as myths, *David Copperfield*, *Silas Marner*, "Julius Caesar," and short stories.

Juniors had opportunities to improve their writing in either English V or Composition V, the former was less difficult than the latter. In American literature, juniors developed a better understanding of American culture from colonial times to the present.

Seniors could take a survey course in English literature, studying the great authors of England, their writings, and their influence today. They were also offered an advanced composition course, in which they could learn style and sentence improvement.

Journalism students made up a large part of the staff of the *Mortonite*, MHS newspaper.

In speech classes students learned to overcome self-consciousness in public speaking situations, including the following: making introductions, after-dinner speeches, and announcements; telling stories; carrying on discussions; debating, and radio speaking. They also learned the methods of organizing speech material and the fundamentals of parliamentary procedure.

Four semesters of Spanish and four of Latin were offered Morton students. They could learn the basic vocabulary and grammar of a foreign language, and therefore learn to read and write that language. Advanced Spanish students read an entire Spanish novel, and Latin IV students studied writings of Livy and Julius Caesar.

NOW THERE will be weeping and wailing and gnashing of teeth. This cry of doom is heard by students in Walter Ruff's freshman Latin class as the next victim is selected to recite.

SPANISH IV students are enjoying themselves while learning the cha-cha from Miss Della Narcisi, their teacher.



Mathematics, Science Classes

The Students of Today Will Make the Progress of Tomorrow



JOANN EVANS *Center Stage* 1981
The man in the Moon
C. 1981, 1982

3. **What is the best way to handle a difficult customer?**



LEARNING TO WORK THE SAME TWO SIZES OF TISSUE, DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE BODY, AND DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE BODY





FLORENCE HART is busy examining a specimen under a microscope in the biology laboratory. Biology students, taught by Donald Harper, Julian Rasmussen, and Gerald Spitzer

often took field trips to discover the wonders of nature and gather specimens for use in the lab.

Mathematics and science are needed not only by those students who plan to enter the fields of engineering or science, but by all students who hope to be able to think out adult problems logically, who want a well-rounded education, and who desire a broad outlook on life. Only with these attributes will adults of tomorrow be able to make progress no matter what their fields.

Morton's Mathematics Department is headed by Glenn Flansburg. The Science Department is the only chairless department in the school.

Students in general math and practical math classes reviewed the fundamentals of arithmetic.

Freshman algebra introduced students to signed numbers, equations, formulas, and graphs; junior, or advanced, algebra went further, dealing with imaginary numbers, logarithms, and determinants.

Plane geometry was offered to sophomores, while seniors could take solid geometry and trigonometry. The latter course dealt with triangles and their functions.

All Morton students must take health and safety, offering instruction in principles of physical, mental, and emotional health, as well as safety.

Each Morton student must also take two semesters of at least one other science. Biology dealt with botany and zoology and gave students many opportunities to use microscopes. Physics students learned about physical science — motion, light, power, sound — and Morton's junior chemists studied the various forms of matter and the chemical changes which they undergo.

ROBERT ATKINS of the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Co. holds the attention of one of Mrs. Esther Hand's physics classes as he discusses opportunities in the field of science.



MRS. HAND Richard Jarnagin, Tony DeRosa and Carol Krupa are in tent on watching a demonstration being run in the physics-chemistry laboratory.





GIRLS IN Mrs. Dorothy Smith's stenography class take practice dictation from Karen

Daniel. The two-hour course covered both advanced shorthand and advanced typing



JANIS FRANKOVICH is the center of attention in this mock trial being conducted by students in Nick Luketic's business law class. Court proceedings were part of the

summer law studies by students in this class, which was offered to juniors and seniors



SALESMANSHIP STUDENTS, taught by Mrs. Estelle Gress, are interested in techniques used by Judy Fleming in selling

Commercial Classes

Mortonites Study for Office Jobs

Last year the Commercial Department, headed by Mrs. Dorothy Smith, prepared Morton students for the business world

General business presented business essentials to students planning to take no further business courses. Bookkeeping readied students for bookkeeping positions; business law aimed to give the student an understanding of commercial law, and salesmanship presented general merchandising principles.

Personal and office typewriting skills were taught in typing classes, and shorthand students studied *Gregg Shorthand Simplified*. Advanced typing and shorthand were combined, forming stenography, a two-period course. Clerical practice students studied filing and various computing and duplicating machines.

CLERICAL PRACTICE students learn to operate various business machines with Mrs. Dorothy Soderberg's assistance



THESE STUDENTS in Anthony Wauro's high school art class certainly are intent on their artistic creations. Mortonites may take high school art for as many semesters as their programs allow



MISS BARBARA Miller accompanies a quartet of boys while the rest of the members of her high school music class listen closely. The class served as a training course for high school choir

Music, Art Classes

Fine Arts Broaden Students' Interest

The Music Department, headed by Miss Barbara Miller and John Melton, and the Art Department, headed by Anthony Wauro, familiarized Morton students with the fine arts

The high school vocal music class acted as a training course for the choir, an organization, like the band, with the status of a class. The orchestra, however, met but twice a week; therefore, an orchestra member who didn't belong to the band had to practice individually for an hour daily if he hoped to get an instrumental music credit. Bandmen could also practice individually daily, although they didn't get any credit for this practice.

High school art, the only class in its department, was an introductory course based on a variety of art mediums.

EINS, ZWEI, drei,spiel!" Band and orchestra director John Melton spent a good part of his time giving individual lessons to young musicians like Naive Hoffman, shown with the bass viol.





THESE FUTURE home-makers are paying close attention to Sharon Brant, who is demonstrating the proper way to wash a baby, in Miss Laura Gibson's home nursing class

Home Economics Classes

Mortonites Learn How To Cook and Sew



THESE GIRLS in a clothing class are learning to save money by sewing their own clothes under the watchful eye of Miss Anna Evanoff, their instructor

JOHN BREGER certainly isn't a bit interested in that masterpiece which Jim Bobowski and Dave Herring are taking out of the oven in Miss Jacqueline Martine's boys' foods class

Home economics classes in the department headed by Miss Jacqueline Martine taught young persons the skills needed to run a home.

In clothing classes, girls learned to make separates and full garments by the use of machines, patterns, and different materials.

The home management course was a study of family and community relationships, child development, and home furnishings; and home nursing emphasized the wise use of community health facilities while enabling students to learn the principles of first aid and child growth.

Foods classes were designed for students to learn about nutrition and the buying, preparing, and serving of food.





MARK MATOVINA,
Daryle Riegle, and Don
Kmetzman learn how to
make blueprints under the
guidance of Frank Con-
caldi in their mechanical
drawing class

Practical Arts Classes

and Prepare for Jobs in Calumet Industry

The Practical Arts Department, of which Robert Fraser is the chairman, prepared Morton boys for jobs in Calumet area industries.

Mechanical drawing students were taught the use of mechanical drawing instruments and ways to do several different types of drawing.

Students in woodworking classes learned skills in developing projects for the school and home, studying

such things as making joints and gluing, turning, and finishing wood.

Senior boys could take job-and-trade information, which was divided into four parts: an appraisal of individual job interests, a general and an individual study of occupations, and a survey of job opportunities in the Calumet Region.

WOODWORKING TEACHER Robert Fraser is helping Bill Luchene to saw a piece of wood while other members of the class look on.



INLAND STEEL Co. pamphlets seem to be interesting Bob Jeppeson, Charles Cornwell, Tom White, Larry Bedene, and Rich-

ard Shawver in Phil Robaska's job-and-trade class.





"STOCKHOLM IS the capital and chief city of Sweden," Ken O'Neil may well be saying as he uses the pointer on a map of Europe in one of George Nelson's geography classes

THIS ARTISTIC shot shows Jack Georgas teaching a very attentive U. S. History VI class

Social Studies Classes

The Study of People: Citizenship Training

Mortonites were taught about people in the world around them by teachers in the Social Studies Department, of which Mrs. Olive Byers is chairman

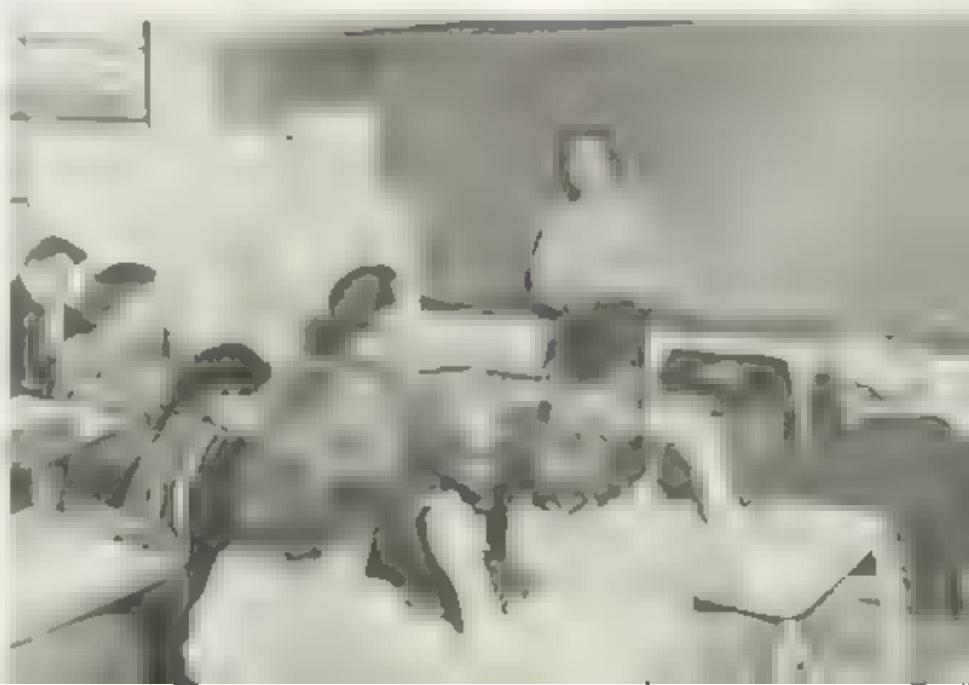
Freshmen learned about natural features and life on the earth in geography classes. Other students studied the history of their own country and the world as a whole, in U. S. history and world history classes, respectively

Seniors studied American government and either sociology or economics. The former dealt with social problems in general; the latter was mainly concerned with the problems people have in making a living

Psychology, a course offered for the first time this year, dealt with the factors behind people's actions

MISS JANE Pierce of the Hammond Welfare Department office addresses one of Mrs. Olive Byers' government classes

DONALD HARPER and his psychology class are watching a psycho-drama being put on by Don Batsel, Bob Bola, Pat White, and Sara Bradley. Psychology was offered at MHS for the first time this year





There is always some
event to which one can
look forward at MHS . . .



CROWNING GRETA Simpson queen of Morton's 1956 Homecoming is senior class president Ted Tarr, dressed as a governor.



QUEEN GRETA and Tony DeRossi are shown with Ted Tarr and members of her court and their escorts. Mary Ann Kozubal and Bob Jeppeson, Gale Bradford and Frank

Alexander, Kathryn Snyder and Dave Herring, Alice Hopman and Bob Henry, and Wanda Sams and Larry MacDonald

Mortonites Celebrate Homecoming

Greta Simpson was crowned queen of Morton High School's 1956 Homecoming, held Friday, Sept. 14. Greta's court consisted of five girls representing their respective senior homerooms.

The festivities of the annual event compensated somewhat for the loss of the game to Tech, the

final score of which was 19 to 13. The game, held at Hammond High Field, was followed by a dance in the Morton gym.

On the Thursday before Homecoming a bonfire pep session was held on the blacktop behind the school. It was followed by a moonlight dance on the blacktop, with music provided by a loud speaker system.

STUDENTS DANCE on the blacktop after the football game on the Thursday before Homecoming.



STUDENTS AND alumni gathered in the gym after the game to dance and pay homage to the queen.



Elementary Annexation Constructed

SUPERINTENDENT OF Schools Lee L. Caldwell addresses the group gathered to witness the laying of the cornerstone of the new elementary annex

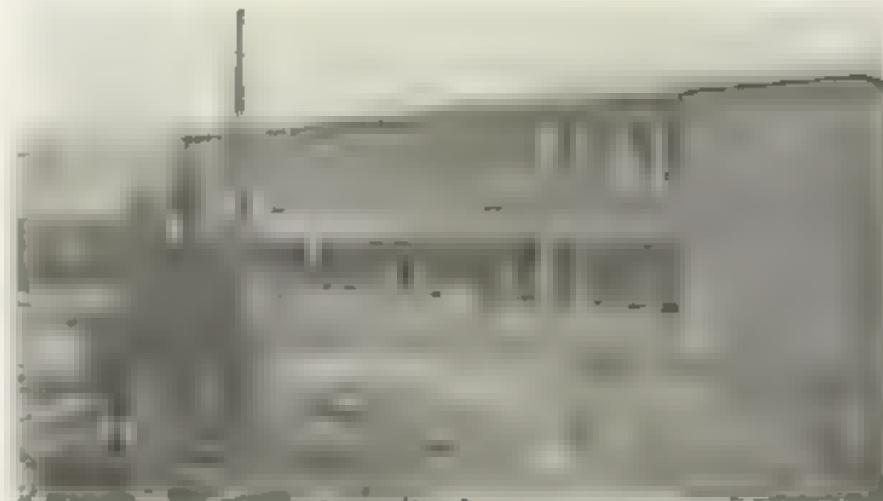


The elementary annex under construction at the north end of the Morton campus is quickly nearing completion. The elementary children will move into the building next fall

Rooms in the main building which some elementary classes occupied this spring will be high school classrooms in the fall, rooms in the portables, occupied by the rest of the elementary classes, will be used for a high school student lounge, a high school art room, an ungraded classroom, and an elementary playroom

The new annex of 13 rooms is being built by the Leo Reuth and Sons Construction Co

A GOOD framework is essential for a strong roof in any building, and the one in the elementary annex looks solid



THE EXTERIOR of the new elementary building takes on a look of readiness for the students that will occupy it in September

THIS VIEW shows the main entrance of the new elementary annex at Morton. The annex will be completed by the fall of 1957



Curtain Goes Up for First Time on



Two fuses took place on the Morton High School theater scene this year: the first serious play in the high school's four-year history was presented, and the senior play for the first time was an adult, name, Broadway hit, instead of a high school comedy. Both departures from the usual were well accepted.

The Theater Guild presentation of "Jane Eyre," a play with a nineteenth century setting, occurred Nov. 9. In the play, Jane Eyre, fresh out of an orphanage, is hired as the governess of Mr. Rochester's daughter. At first Jane thinks that the aura of mystery about the Rochester home is just part of her imagination, but many strange happenings increase her suspicions. The sudden arrival of Mr. Mason, an old school friend of Mr. Rochester's, whom the latter receives very coldly, adds to the general confusion. When Jane learns that Mr. Rochester's insane wife is being kept upstairs by the supposed seamstress, her marriage to Mr. Rochester is called off. However, all turns out happily in the end.

Members of the class of 1957 overcame last-minute difficulties and gave very creditable performances in "Arsenic and Old Lace" May 2 and 3. Written by Joseph Kesselring, the play was first presented in 1941 in New York by Howard Lindsay and Russel Crouse. Its plot revolves about the two sweet old Brewster sisters, who have 12 dead men buried in their cellar—one of whom died a natural death and 11 of whom they poisoned—and their three nephews: Teddy, who imagines himself to be Theodore Roosevelt; Jonathan, who has just escaped from the Indiana Hospital for Insane Criminals and is himself a mass murderer; and Mortimer, the only sane Brewster.

JANE EYRE (Nancy Massingill) happily anticipates her marriage to Mr. Rochester (Joe Wysong) in this scene from "Jane Eyre," the MHS fall play.

ZELDA INGRAM (Alexandra Gardner), reads the palm of Blanche INGRAM (Layla), while Blanche's mother, Lady Ingram (Connie Parsons), Mr. Mason (Phil Jackson), and the seamstress (Joan Franks) look on with interest in a scene from the Morton production of Marjorie Carleton's dramatization of *Jane Eyre*.

A TENSE moment occurs in "Jane Eyre" when Mr. Mason stops the marriage ceremony which was being conducted by the Rev. Mr. Wood (David Wright). (Left to right, standing) Zelma, the seamstress, and Mrs. Fairfax, the housekeeper (Jacqueline Bastus), and (seated) Mrs. Ingram and Blanche.



a Serious Play at Morton High



DON VOROS, as the mad Jonathan Brewster, and August Schischka as Dr. Einstein, his accomplice, bring one of their victims through a window in the senior class' production of "Arsenic and Old Lace."



MORTIMER BREWSTER (Dick Updegraff) prevents his two sweet aunts (Ramona Adams and Betty Feldt), who turn out not to be his aunts at all, from giving a prospective boarder (Dan George) some of their elderberry wine spiked with arsenic, cyanide, and strichnine.



LT. ROONEY (Don Stryzinski) and Officers Klein and Brophy (Jerome Babitz and Wayne Lazar) come to the aid of theater critic Mortimer, who has been forced to remain bound while Officer O'Hara (George Conger) reads him the play he had written.



DAVE VAHORVICH, as Teddy Brewster, who believes himself to be Theodore Roosevelt, yells "Charge!" as he dashes up the Brewster staircase, supposedly San Juan Hill.

Mortonites See Concerts, "Follies,"



HERE ARE two photos of the twirling show. Above, four young drum majorettes demonstrate their twirling techniques, and at right Janet Slivka "plays with fire" in a solo.



THIS PHOTO shows the MHS band performing under the baton of John Melton in one of its concert appearances.

THE ORCHESTRA, directed by Mr. Melton, gives its rendition of the "Blue Danube Waltz" at one of the four Music Department concerts.



There's always something to which to look forward at Morton. This statement is especially true when *something* refers to an evening program. For besides the Homecoming program, the plays, the banquets, the after-prom party, the Music Festival, and Commencement, there were many other enjoyable evening affairs.

On Dec. 12 there was "Candy Cane Lane," the Junior Red Cross-sponsored fashion show, with models representing various organizations.

There were four Music Department concerts, at which vocal and instrumental groups performed, the drive-in band concert in June, and the twirling show, at which Morton drum majorettes "strutted their stuff," April 9.

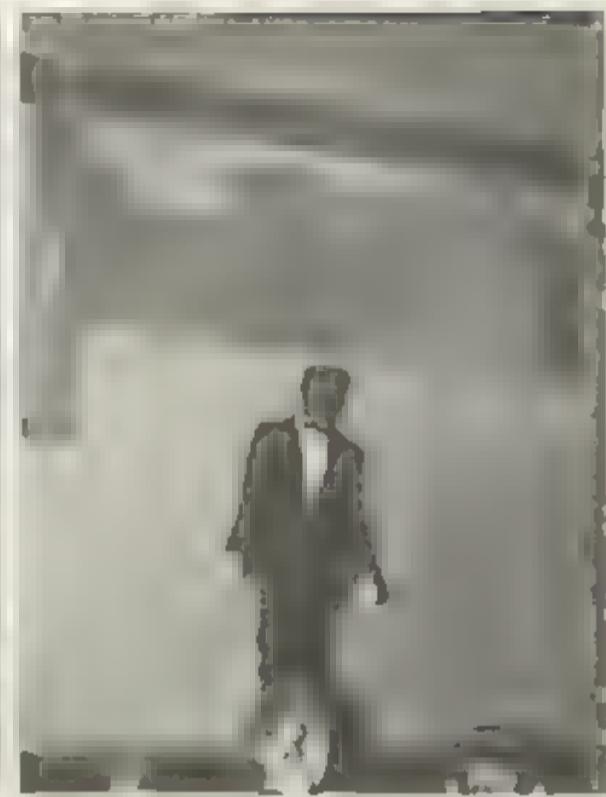
And then there were the "Friars' Follies," presented the evening of May 24, a week after high school students had gotten a preview of them in an auditorium session.

Fashion and Twirling Shows



PERFORMERS IN the Morton High School production of the "Friars Follies" gather on the stage of the Palace Theater, really the Morton auditorium. The Morton presenta-

tion here on the Friars stage, ever annually by the New York Friars' Theatrical Club, was directed by junior Mike Miller and Miss Barbara Miller



JIM BRADLEY does an imitation of Al Jolson for the "Follies" audience

THE COMBINED Morton High School choir and music class sing, under the direction of Miss Barbara Miller, at one of the Morton

Music Department's four concerts. The music class serves as a training course for the choir, both of which are full-credit courses



GRETA SIMPSON models some clothes from Carr-Ann's at the JRC fashion show, proceeds from which went to Beatty Memorial Hospital



BILL HENDERSON, a Deaf student, presents a slide show to the student body during an assembly.



BILL MAGAN and DON ROBINS perform a play during an assembly in a Morton High School classroom.



PHIL ROBASKA, job placement counselor, answers questions, chats with representatives of various service organizations.

MHS Assemblies Are Enjoyable, Inspiring

Morton High School students had a well-rounded assembly schedule during the 1956-57 school year. Programs were planned to entertain, educate, and inspire. They included such things as pep sessions, a C-club presentation by vocal music students, a talent show of instrumental solos and ensemble pieces, the "Friars' Follies," a hypnotism show, and an awards assembly.

MEMBERS OF the Friars' Follies, George Hand, and others, were invited to demonstrate their playability at MHS during an assembly.



BILL MAGAN, member of the "Friars' Follies" cast, parades down the hall during an assembly.

PHOTO BY ROBERT L. HARRIS

Oliver Perry Morton isn't the only Indiana governor with whom Morton School has any connection. It has been visited by the last three consecutive governors—Henry F. Schricker, George N. Craig, and Harold W. Handley—during their administrations. Gov. Handley visited the school in May when he was in the area to speak at a banquet.

The governor's visit was arranged by Vernon C. Anderson, former Hammond mayor who is now administrative assistant to the governor. Mortonites were especially happy to welcome Gov. Handley not only because he appointed a Hammondite to be his assistant, but also because he himself is a Northwest Indianian, coming from LaPorte.



ELEMENTARY PUPILS lined up outdoors to greet Gov. Handley on his arrival here with Recorder Betty Feldt, President Tony DeRosa, and Jack Reich, an Indiana State Chamber of Commerce official.

Governors Welcome Governor to Morton



IN THE AUDITORIUM the governor tells the Morton High School Governors about the many opportunities in the Great Hoosier State. Also present were several local dignitaries.



GOV. HANDLEY is made an honorary Morton Governor in the gym, where junior high students assembled, by Vice President Glenn Schram. Watching are Junior High Council officers David Brant and John Baier, council sponsor Phil Robaska, and Principal A. W. Clark.

WITH THE governor when he signed this autograph for the TOP HAT in the office were Mr. Clark and Mrs. Isabel Payne.

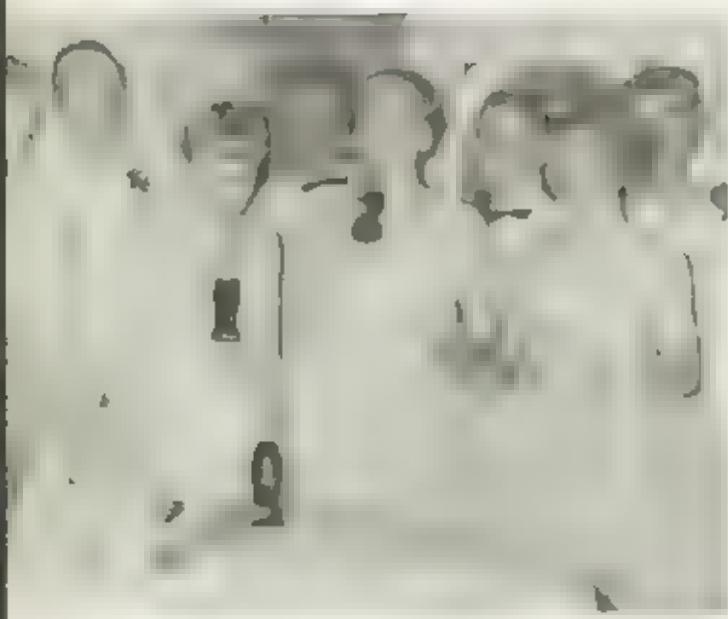


Gov. Handley signs an autograph for the Top Hat in his office.

ACCOMPANIED BY Glenn Schram Gov. Handley leaves Morton amid the cheers of high school students, who gathered on the front lawn after he addressed them in the auditorium.



Mortonites "Could Have Danced All Night"



SOMETHING SEEMS to be missing at the prom goes at Lynne Fitzpatrick's coke party.

THE GIRLS were all there at the coke party.



THE AFTER PROM at Lynne Fitzpatrick's coke party.

THE HIGHLIGHTS of the Coke Party were the WIND Party with lots of dancing and fun.



THE HIGHLIGHTS of the Coke Party were the WIND Party with lots of dancing and fun.



"Night" at Dances — Formal or Not

Morton students love to dance and attended many dances given during the past year. There were informal and formal dances, elaborately decorated and hurriedly put-together dances, organization-sponsored and class-sponsored dances.

One of the highlights of the social season was "Crystal Cotillion," the winter formal, held in January at Madura's Danceland in Robertsville. Micky Isley provided music for this senior class-sponsored affair.

"Tropical Paradise" was the theme of this year's junior-senior prom, sponsored by the junior class. It too was held at Madura's.

In addition, informal dances were held often in the gym or the Civic Center. They included the Homecoming dance; a dance with a calypso theme, sponsored by the Biology Club; the Art Club dance where guests wore masks and numerous sock-hops.



MORTON STUDENTS in the gym at the Civic Center. The dance was held during a Morton basketball game.

DANCERS FORM an arch after the grand march at "Crystal Cotillion," the senior-sponsored winter formal.

THE CALYPSO craze hit MHS with a bang, if this photo of Pat Bloom and Julian Rasmussen at the Biology Club dance is any indication.



GUESTS AT the Art Club's dance took out-of-this-world—literally. Club members made a cubistic guitar player 18 feet tall out of cardboard cartons to carry out their theme, "The Thing."





BOTTOMS UP The attendees in the picture at the left are finishing off a beer at Teibel's Restaurant. Morton recently held a banquet sponsored by the Morton Adult Booster Club. A large



number of Booster Club members who also attended the banquet are shown in the right. Phil Luckens, new football coach at Illinois University, was the main speaker at the banquet.

Mortonites Laugh, Drink [Milk], and Be



AN ANNUAL event at Morton is the Girls' Athletic Association chapter's Mother-Daughter Banquet. The affair was

hosted this year in the basement of the Concordia Lutheran Church on Mayfield Ave.

An entertaining and enjoyable way to celebrate or honor anything or anyone is to have a banquet. With good food and an interesting program any banquet can be a great success.

Morton had its share of banquets during the 1956-57 school year. They were held at the popular Teibel's Restaurant in Schererville, the Morton cafeteria, the basement of the Concordia Lutheran Church on Marshall Ave., or the Wilson School cafeteria.

Banquets held during the year included two athletic banquets, one sponsored by the Morton Adult Booster Club and held at Teibel's and the other sponsored by the Morton Adult Athletic Association and held at Wilson School; the Senior-Faculty Banquet, held at Teibel's; the band and twirlers banquets, each held at Morton, and the banquets of the Morton National Honor Society and Girls' Athletic Association chapters, each held at the Lutheran church.

"THIS IS the Morton band's first-division state award," band director John Melton tells the group at the band banquet.



Merry at Their Banquets



GATHERED AROUND the wishing well which carried out the theme of the NHH chapter dinner are the newest inductee members and President T. Lure. The dinner was held at the First Lutheran Church after a short ceremony in the Morton auditorium.

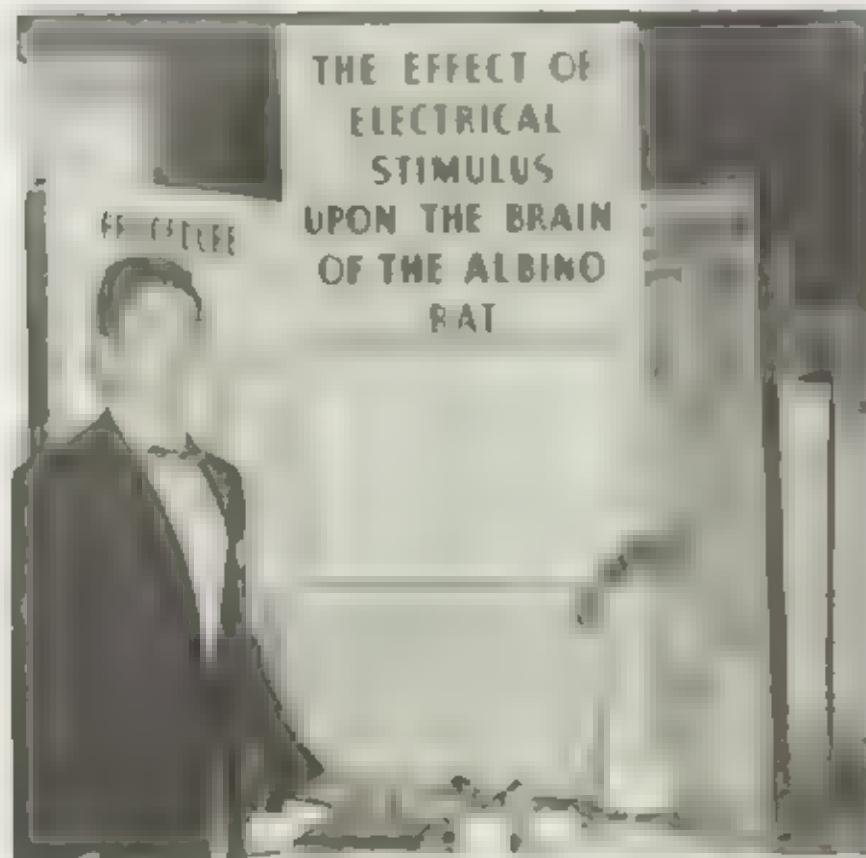


GLENN SCHRAM tells of the "stars" in the class of 1957 at the NHH chapter dinner at Tabor. The chapter theme, "We're on the Way," was carried out in elaborate form by Pat Carson as shown as she stands in front of Mrs. Margaret Achen, school trustee.

Budding Scientists Show Stuff at Fairs



THIS VIEW from the balcony of the Tech High School gym shows a lot of exhibits at the 1957 Annual Hammond Public Schools Science Fair, which was held March 29 and 30.



HIS WORK on this project won Charles Pitzel, Jr., a first place at the 1957 Annual Hammond Public Schools Science Fair in Los Angeles, Calif.

Morton High School students from various science classes participated in two science fairs this year: the 1957 Annual Hammond Public Schools Science Fair, at the Technical-Vocational High School gymnasium March 29 and 30, and the Northwestern Indiana Regional Science Fair, at Valparaiso University April 6. Although competition was keener at the Valpo fair, a student did not need to get a first place in the Hammond fair to enter it.

Gerald Spitzer, Morton biology teacher, was general chairman of the Hammond fair, in which seven Morton students got first places with five projects.

At the Valparaiso fair Charles Pitzel got a first place in the experimental biology category and took second-place sweepstakes honors with his project, "The Effect of Electrical Stimulus upon the Brain of the Albino Rat." The sweepstakes award entitled him and Julian Rasmussen, his teacher, to attend the National Science Fair in Los Angeles, Calif., May 8-12.

Other firsts in the Valpo fair went to Carol Mants, whose project, "Photograms," was entered in the physics techniques category; Ted Tarr, whose "Electroless Nickel-Plating" project, which he worked on with Richard Fleming and Jerome Babitz, was entered in the chemistry descriptions category, and Lois Weller, whose project, "Procedure in Dissection of the Eye of a Cow in Color Photographs," was entered in the zoology descriptions category.



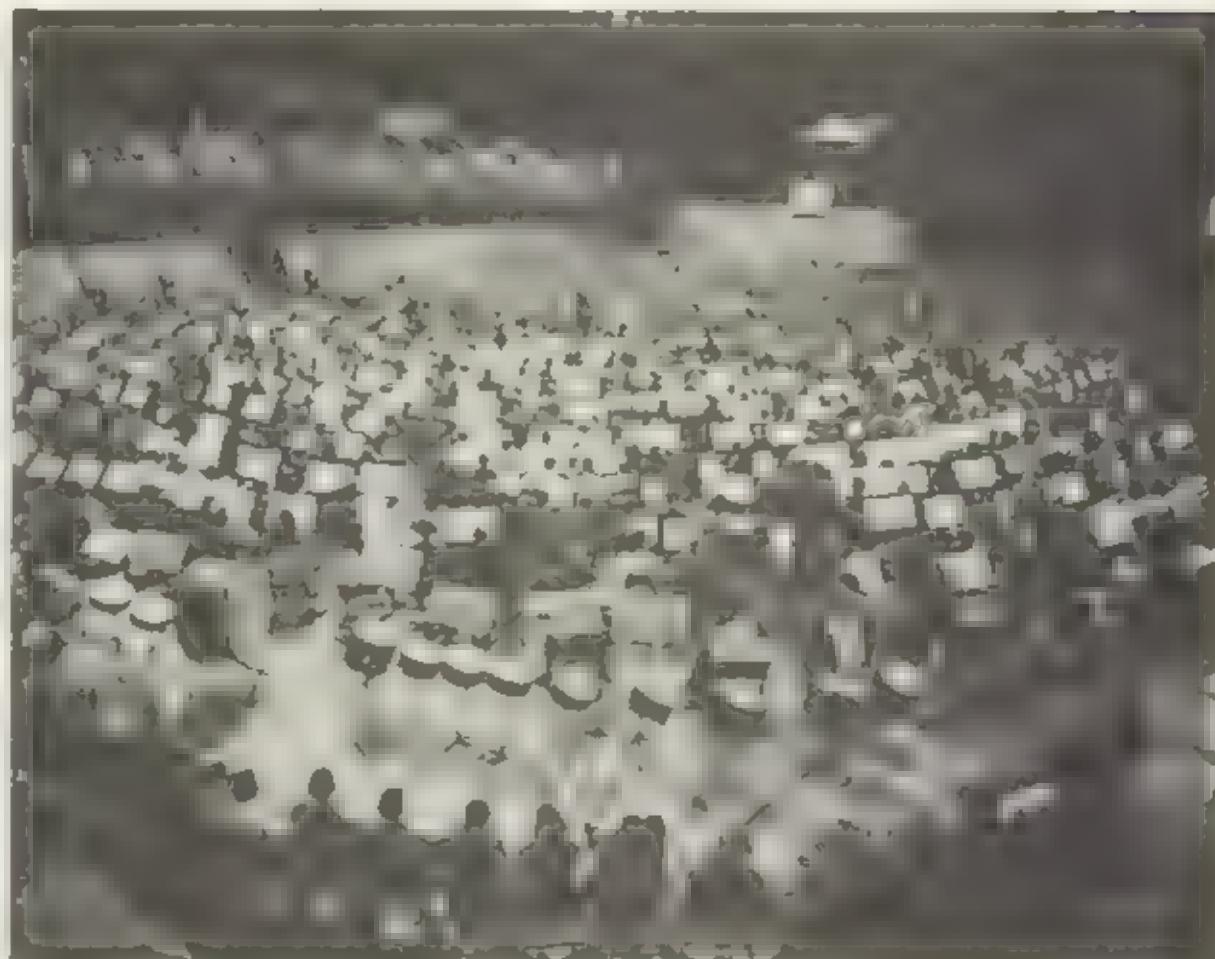
RICHARD FLEMING and Jerome Babitz show their nickel-plating project, which they worked on with Ted Tarr, to a potential science teacher at the Northwestern Indiana Regional Science Fair in Valparaiso, Ind., April 6.

Budding Musicians Perform at Festival

THE COMBINED public school instrumental groups were combined further on May 10 into this mass of over 1,000 young musicians.

The Hammond Public Schools Music Festival was held May 8 and 10 at the Civic Center after a two-year lapse of time since its last presentation. The festival was not held last year in order to allow time for its reorganization: this year all combined vocal groups performed one evening and all combined instrumental groups performed the other evening, formerly at least one vocal group and one instrumental group performed on each of three evenings.

Members of the MHS band and choir performed in all-city groups with students from Clark, Tech, and Hammond High; Morton orchestra members performed in a combined group with students from Clark and HHS.



MORTON BAND director John Melton leads the all-city high school band in the playing of the "Student Prince Overture."



THE ALL-CITY public school vocal groups were gathered together on the Civic Center bleachers on the evening of Wednesday, May 8.

Baccalaureate and Commencement: an



SENIOR CLASS Vice President Don Vatos and President Le Tarr leave the class of 1948 from their seats in the center of the auditorium.

at Methodist Baccalaureate where the class of 1948 March 1948.

SHOWN AS they proceeded from the gym where they had been on the sidewalk and up to the auditorium are some graduates.



ALTER IT was a great day for the graduates and their parents gathered in the gymnasium.

End and a Beginning for Seniors

Graduation week—the “big one” for seniors—included Baccalaureate services and Commencement exercises.

Sunday, June 9, was the date of Baccalaureate, held in Morton’s auditorium. Over 180 seniors heard the Rev Robert Byquist, pastor of Christ Lutheran Church, deliver the invocation and benediction, and the Rev John Eastwood, pastor of the First United Presbyterian Church, speak on “A Right Sense of Values.”

The Rev. Dr. Eastwood urged the graduates to place “the test of time, the test of eternity, and the test of the spirit” on all actions that they may be considering.

To the organ strains of “Pomp and Circumstance,” the class of 1957 marched down the middle of the Civic Center floor at Commencement.

June 13. The largest graduating class in MHS history heard the invocation and benediction by the Rev. A. W. Reinig, pastor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church; the salutatory address by Janet Jeppeson, and the valedictory addresses by Ted Tarr and Glenn Schram. Dr. Nicholas Nyaradi, professor of economics at Bradley University, Peoria, Ill., and former minister of finance in free Hungary, gave the main address, entitled “Shall We Survive?”

Dr. Nyaradi said that it is up to today’s youth whether the United States will suffer horrors like those recently inflicted on his homeland.

DR. NICHOLAS Nyaradi, of Bradley University, speaks at Commencement.



LISTENING TO Dr. Nyaradi speak on “Shall We Survive?” are the 184 members of the class of 1957 — the girls dressed in white caps and gowns and the boys, in blue — at the Fourth Annual Morton

High School Commencement exercises June 13 in the Hammond Civic Center.



Seniors Don Beards, Pigtails, Shades



ELAINE OSOLINSKI, Beverly Boesch, Barbara McLean, and Janine Rose are "shook up" at the Class Day assembly. Also



at the assembly. Association President Tracy Lasko, and the new Class Day Queen, Janine Rose, shake hands with President-elect Bill Beaver, and Jan



Seniors Bob Irvin and Lynne Fitzwater participate in the senior class prophecy

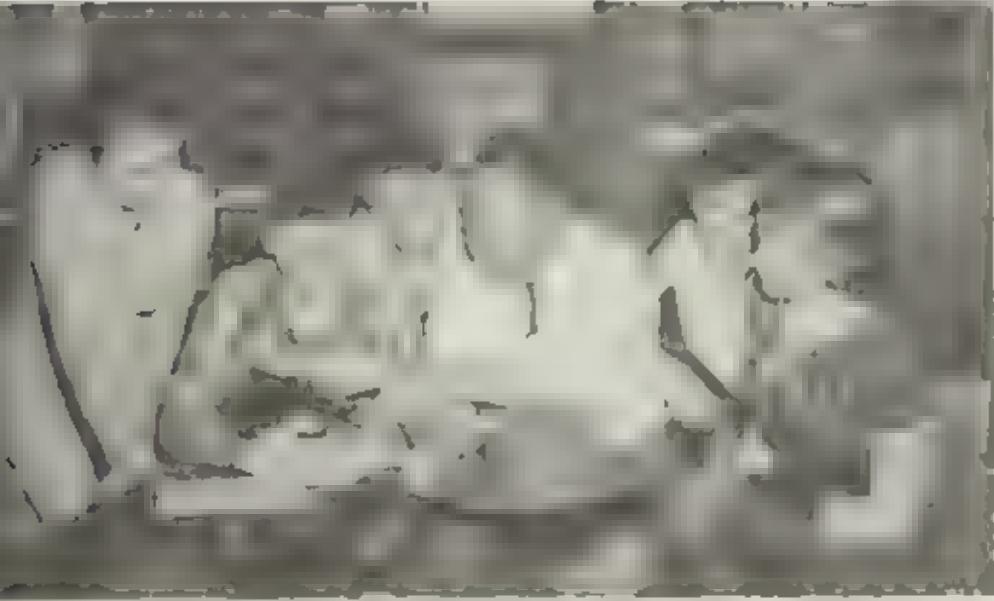


PEGGY MAUGER, Barbara McLean, Mary Ann Kozubal, Greta Simpson, Joyce Neal, and Jan Sears sport bows on Bow Day

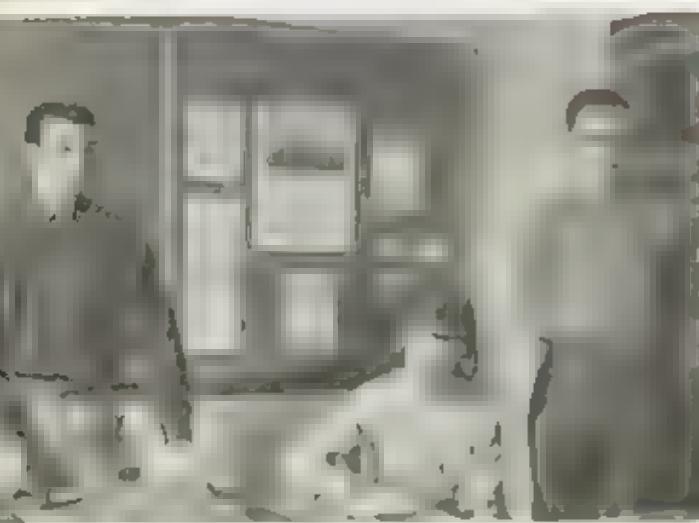
An annual week at MHS honoring seniors is Senior Week. Starting with Silent Day on Monday, the week continued with Bow Day on Tuesday, Loyalty Day on Wednesday, Backward Day on Thursday, and Class Day on Friday. It was silly, but 95 per cent of the seniors agreed that true senior characters were displayed.

SENIORS WEAR their mint-green and black sweaters and cords on Loyalty Day. It was also Shade Day, notice those sun glasses





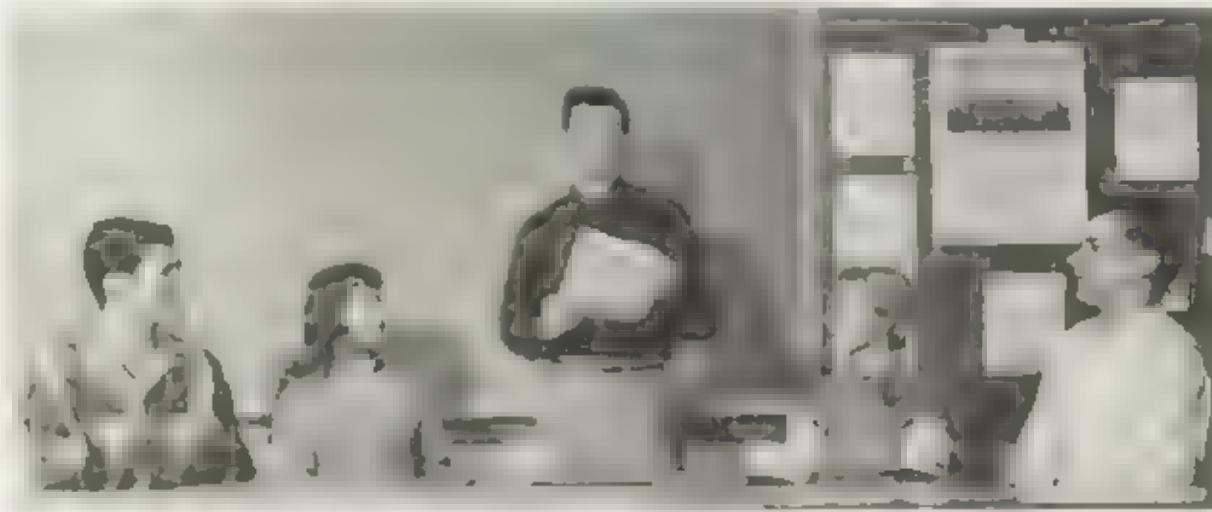
At Morton there's an
organization to suit
everybody's interest . . .



READY TO BEGIN a meeting of Congress are President Tony DeRosa, Recorder Betty Feldt, and Vice-President Glenn Schram

PRESIDENT TONY DeRosa often sought the advice of members of his Cabinet. Here he meets with Don Stryzinski, secretary of public safety, Gale Bradford, secretary

of social affairs, Alice Hopman, secretary of the Treasury, and Jerry Arcella, secretary of justice.



MHS Association

Mortonites' School Government:

The Morton High School Association, an organization of all MHS students and teachers, proved itself successful during the 1956-57 school year. Through the able leadership of the executive officers and sponsors, the Association advanced from a glimmer of hope in the eyes of optimists to a respected, efficient organization.



This year's accomplishments, such as beginning the revision of the Constitution, organization of plans for a student lounge, and improvement of the public address and lighting systems in the gym, evidence the Association's success.

The government of the Association consists of three elected executive officers—the president, vice-president, and recorder—and four appointed executive officials, who comprise the president's Cabinet—the secretary of justice, the secretary of public safety, the secretary of the Treasury, and the secretary of social affairs. There are also a two-house Congress, composed of a Senate and a House of Representatives, and a Student Court, composed of a chief justice, who is also secretary of justice, and four associate justices, one from each class.

Meeting on service club Tuesdays, Congress filled its short 35-minute meetings with propositions, discussions, and decisions that affected the welfare and future of Morton High. Numerous committees were appointed by President Tony DeRosa.

At each meeting reports were required from both the committees and the Cabinet members. The latter told Congress of their recent work and requested either help or appropriations.

THESE PERSONS made up the 1956-57 Senate. Row 1—Seniors Beverly Boesch, Sara Bradley, and Ted Tarr. Row 2—Juniors Judy Hellinga, Bill Beaver, and Jim Harrison. Row 3—Sophomores Betty Zitko and Janet Baker. Row 4—Freshmen Jim Somerville and Sheila Virag. Glenn Flansburg co-sponsored the Association.



FRESHMAN JUSTICE

Tony Anderson, Sophomore Justice George Baldia, Junior Justice Bill Bock, Senior Justice Rich Fleming, and Chief Justice Jerry Arcella are listening to a defendant in the Student Court. Don Stryzinski, court bailiff, and Mrs. Estelle Gress, Association co-sponsor, also seem interested. Judy Hellinga was court recorder.

of Them, by Them, and for Them

The Wednesday following each meeting of Congress, representatives were supposed to make reports to their respective homerooms.

Headed by Chief Justice Jerry Arcella, the Student Court tried many cases of student misbehavior which the school administrators would ordinarily have had to handle.

The government was very active in working on the a-v and lighting improvements for the gym. Payment for this project was divided among three organizations: the Association, the Junior High School Student Council, and the Cinema Club.

Another project the government worked on was the future student lounge. Located in the east portable,

the lounge will have two rooms when it is opened next fall, one room will be used as government headquarters and also as a place where students may read quietly and committees may confer, and the other room will contain a television set, radio, and jukebox.

The government carried on its own elections and all class elections; purchased a three-year supply of student handbooks, and erected eight signs pointing to Morton School.

Mrs. Estelle Gress, Miss Kay Leipold, and Glenn Flansburg sponsored the Association this year.



MEMBERS OF the House of Representatives were as follows. Row 1—Deborah Smith, Len Evans, Karen Daniel, and Carol Krupa. Row 2—Judy Kreiler, Phyllis Schmidt, and Janice Hanzi. Row 3—Judy Mathes, Marsha Muna, and Ronald Kindt. Row 4—Paula Spitale, Ruth Kessler, and Pat Dunn. Row 5—John Fekete, Agnes Scofield, and Mary Ann Cook. Row 6—Jim Kackley, Bill Shannon, Don Butler, and Wayne Lee. Row 7—Dennis Doughty, Diane Pete, and Carole Stowers.

Yearbook Staff, Photo Club

Bookmakers Take Bets All Year:

SMILING GAYLY for the photographer are these members of the '57 TOP HAT staff and their sponsor (clockwise): Peggy Mauger, Allan Quigley, Anthony Wauro, Pat Fitzgerald, and Glenn Schram



The 1957 TOP HAT is the "best yet," according to this year's yearbook staff. Devoting at least one hour a day for five (and sometimes six) days a week, staffers worked under the direction of Anthony Wauro, annual sponsor.

Staff members working on the editorial end of the yearbook included Glenn Schram, editor-in-chief; Pat Fitzgerald, associate editor-in-chief, Karen Daniel, photo editor; Betty Feldt, copy editor; Alex Gardner, copy writer, and Gloria Nemeek and Judi Rubense, typists. Peggy Mauger was business manager, and Allan Quigley served as advertising manager.

While overseeing the entire yearbook staff, Mr. Wauro welcomed help from two other teachers. Mrs. Harriette Moylan advised the copy writers, and Mrs. Dorothy Soderberg supervised advertising and home-room annual sales.

Pictures for the TOP HAT were taken by Bodie Studio and the Morton Photo Club. Bodie's assignments were formal organization pictures, shots for the paper sections, and some of the activity and classroom photos. The Photo Club took the rest of the activity and classroom shots. Besides taking photos, the club, sponsored by Julian Rasmussen, did developing and enlarging.

The Photo Club did work not only for the annual, but also for the Mortomite and Hessville-Woodmar Lite. Members took several interesting trips to Chicago, visiting such places as Billings Memorial Hospital, the Art Institute, the *Daily News* photo laboratory, the CBS television studio, and China Town.



RESPONSIBLE FOR the sale of the TOP HAT were these homeroom annual salesmen and their adviser: Row 1—Connie Parsons, Sharron Morey, Joyce Darnell, (space), Peggy Mauger, Judy Klein, Juanita Paquin, Beverly Ford, Sally Aageberg, Leslie MacDonald, and Betty Takacs. Row 2—Mrs. Dorothy Soderberg, Yvonne Gardner, Kathy Baroo, Joan Brown, Bernadette Kristoff, Lois Walder, Connie Hatfield, Ronald Johnson, Bob Morris, Letoy Schmoekel, and Jim Bradley.

Will We Get the TOP HAT Out?



WORKING ON the editorial end of the year book were Mrs. Harriette Moylan, Judi Rubense, Gloria Nemcek, Linda Smith, Bill Shannon, Karen Daniel, Betty Feldt, and Alex Gardner.



THE JOB of selling advertising space to help finance the TOP HAT belonged to Deborah Smith (seated) and (standing) Bill Holland, Ramona Adams, John Zgunda, Alice Evert, and Mrs. Dorothy Soderberg. They are shown against a background of TOP HAT dummy layouts.

THE PROCEDURE was reversed when these Photo Clubbers were snapped Row 1—Gilbert Walters, Bill Carney, Gretchen Krughoff, Sarah Skelton, Dave Cook, president; John Fekete, vice-president, and Louis Walder, secretary-treasurer Row 2 Joe Wysong, Connie Hatt, Andrew Marek, Julian Rasmussen, Sherman Chancellor, Terry Mantei, Roy Ogborn, and Bill Mixon



Band

Bandmen Come Home from Griffith



FIRST - AND second place cutting powers were as follows: Roy Lane, Baker, Marion, Dan Cox and Bert Irvin, Roy Lynn, Frazer, Marion, Mike Morris, Herren, and Baker. Pat Schubert and I had a part a met in a contest.



these students. Row 1: Lasyonne Stayridge, Agnes S. Head, Stanley
Vance, and L. McDonald. Row 2: Mary Ellen McMill, Joyce
Severance, and R. Zentzinger. In the back row are Larry Overman and
Howard H. Charles, who was associate band director.



CARL MELTON, Nancy Renfrow, JoAnne Evans, Mary Ann Cook, Betty Czech, Larry Smith, Marcia Cook, and Carole Shoemaker made up the flute section in Morton's state-champion band. John Melton directed the band.



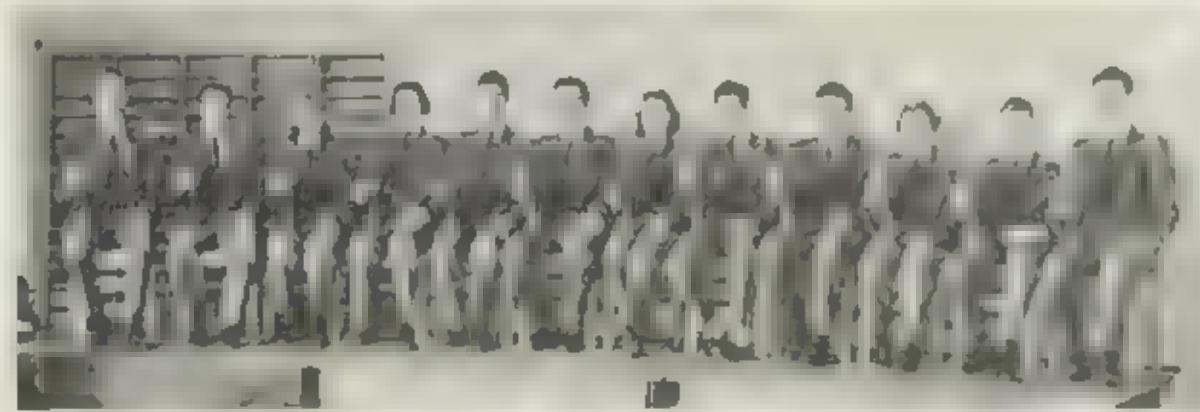
THE BACKBONE of any band is its bass section. Morton's sousaphone players were Lennie Gillam and Daryle Riegle, and Pat Fitzgerald played the upright tuba. Baritone players were Jim Mahon, Sue Berkheiser, Juanita Paquin, and Carolyn Johnson.

The Morton High School band won a first division rating in the Northern Indiana School Band, Orchestra, and Vocal Association's state contest in the spring. It was in competition with some of the finest high school bands in the country, including those from Hobart and Elkhart.

The band's activities during the 1956-57 school year included appearances at the Music Department's evening concerts, participation in the Hammond Public Schools' Music Festival, marching in parades, and performances at Morton home football games. In addition, it held a "drive-in" concert on the blacktop early in June. Members of the audience were able to remain in their cars while listening to the band at this event.

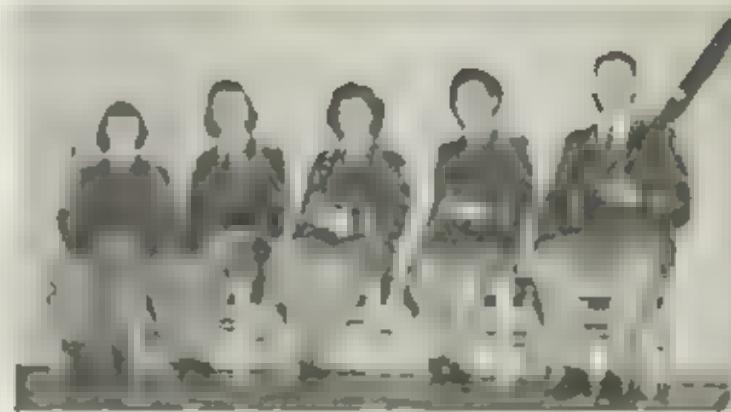
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with a First Division Rating



_HOLDING THEIR instruments at rest are these concertists: Tom O'Conor, Tom Lasher, Virginia Chizmar, Judy Hellings, Eugene Pringle, Roger Sheline, Gretchen Krug-

ner, Dennis Weller, Marvin Frank, Keith and Steve Hines, Steve Schaefer, Jim McCann.



CAROLE EICHLBERGER and Deborah Smith, bassoon; Melvin Morris, clarinet; June Davis, alto clarinet; Bill Highland, bassoon



THE BAND'S French horn section, headed by George Hand, consisted also of Linda Clark, Pat Miles, Pat Garson, Karla Krughoff, and Donna Fitzwater.



"SLUSH PUMPS" is the nickname given to the instruments played by these trombonists: Glenn Schram, Jim Stivers, Sue Losh, Harold Tufts, David Wright, Regena Spitzer and Jean Sheline.



JIM ARCELLA, Sharon Adams, Carl Ann Siers, and Sandra Lathion played the saxophones. Tenors were played by Steven Enoksen and Joe Petska.



PLAYING IN Merton's percussion section were Tim Kackley, Linda Stroh, Ken Berney, Lamont Weller, Jerry Steele, Bernard Gruenanger, and Bruce Sheline.



HIGH STEPPING twirlers led the band in parades and performed at home football games. Marie Melton, Agnes Scottfield, Janet Derflinger, Janet Sivka, Betty Czech, Janice Hanzi, Joyce Dukeman, Roberta Smith, and Janet Novath



HALFTIME AT the Hammond Bishop Noll-MHS football game saw the band spelling out "Fire" in observance of Fire Prevention Week.

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Carl Melton received this year's Action Award, presented through the co-operation of the Hessville Lions, for being the most valuable graduating senior in Morton's Music Department. He was chosen by his fellow musicians.

This year's band was conducted by John Melton, director, and Charles Bay, associate director.

Marching in front of the band in all parades and performing in halftime shows at football games were the twirlers, coached by Mrs. John Melton.

Orchestra

Fiddling with Fiddlesticks



Unlike the band, the orchestra had no rehearsals during the school day. Therefore, members rehearsed Monday and Wednesday mornings, before school started officially. Because they didn't rehearse daily, orchestra members who didn't also belong to the band couldn't get an instrumental music credit unless they practiced individually for an hour each day during study hall time.

Directed by John Melton, the orchestra appeared at plays, at Baccalaureate, and in two concerts.

ORCHESTRA MEMBERS and their director are all dressed-up for a concert appearance. Row 1—Juanita Paquin, Pat Fitzgerald, Nancy Feldt, Janice Hanzi, and Betty Takacs. Row 2—George Hand, Pat Miles, Margie Schaeffer, Marjorie Sherrick, Eugene Peto, Gail Zea, Edward Guzis, and Janet Galen. Row 3—Heleen Shoemaker, Roberta Smith, Jack Flescher, Tom Oxmon, Carl Melton, Nancy Renfrow, Deborah Smith, Betty Feldt, Sarah Skelton, Janet Baker, and Carol Van Senus. Row 4—Bruce Sheline, Linda Smith, Nancy Hoffman, Joe Hoffman, John Melton, Daryle Riegler, Marie Melton, Glenn Schram, and Jim Stivers.

Choir, Mixed Ensemble, Girls' Ensemble

Morton's Singers Do a Noteworthy Job



LISTENING TO Miss Barbara Miller, their director, are these choir members Row 1—Carl Melton, Jim Somerville, Wayne Smith, Ray Golarz, Leman Riley, Ken Bergner, Bob Smalley, and Dave Cook. Row 2—Eugene Pringle, Ronald Johnson, Jerry Bell, Jim Bradley, Dave Goodwine, John Fekete, Tom Ostrom, Richard Nischan, and Dan Hoggatt. Row 3—Beverly Boesch, Yvonne Gardner, Kathy Barno, Ruth Fisher, Margaret Beckett, Judi Rubense, Carol Brown, Eleanor Baldwin, Loretta Olson, and Sandra

Kruto. Row 4—Bonnie Thomas, Judy Howard, Connie Iliff, Barbara Chalmers, Bonnie Baker, Juanita Fox, Delores Ruth, Pat Weiss, Sharon Stephano, Donna Kragelund, Judy Hutsler, Mildred Tubich, and Greta Simpson. Row 5—Joyce Neal, Diana Martinich, Gloria Nemcek, Joan Ray, Bonnie Sharkey, JoAnn Poole, Margaret Vickerman, Barbara Marsh, Barbara McCarty, Don Schumacher, Judy McCoy, Beverly Nix, and Barbara McLean. The choir, an organization with class status, rehearsed daily.

Improving and enlarging every year, the vocal music section of the Morton High School Music Department has become an outstanding feature of the school. The vocal division consists of the high school vocal music class and the high school choir. The former is a training course for the latter; a student must have had at least two semesters of vocal music and be a junior or senior before he can be considered for choir. Like the band, the choir is an organization with the status of a class, meeting one period a day.

This year two smaller vocal music organizations, each composed of se-

lected choir members, were formed. The mixed ensemble sang for several luncheons, and the girls' chorus performed at the Red Cross style show.

The vocal division presented its version of the annual "Friars' Follies" of the New York Friars' Theatrical Club on May 17. The Morton "Follies" were produced and directed by Mike Miller and Miss Barbara Miller, choir director.

Vocal musicians participated in three Music Department concerts and the Hammond Public Schools Music Festival. They also sang Christmas carols at the Edward C. Minas Co. in downtown Hammond.



CHOIR MEMBERS Judi Rubense, Greta Simpson, Barbara McLean, Eleanor Baldwin, Ken Bergner, Bob Smalley, Margaret Beckett, David Cook, and Jim Bradley made up a mixed ensemble.



GIRLS' CHORUS members included: Row 1—Kathy Hindmarch, Betty Zitko, and Mildred Tubich. Row 2—Connie Iliff, Kathy Barno, Diana Martinich, Judy McCoy, and Judy Hutsler.

Varsity, Frosh Cheerleaders; Booster Club

Mortonites Are Always There



LEADING YELLS for varsity Governor teams were Greta Simpson, JoAnn Poole, Janis Frankovich, and Virginia Chizmar.



CAROL HELDING, Leslie MacDonald, Donna Fitzwater, and Sandy Buldak were

the peppy cheerleaders who livened up frosh football and basketball games.

School spirit has to be given a little push now and then. To help maintain and foster it, varsity and freshman cheerleaders led yells at MHS football and basketball games and pep sessions.

Miss Evelyn Schurtz, sponsor of the cheerleaders, held cheerleading try-outs in the spring. Next year's yell leaders, like this year's, were chosen on the basis of skill, sportsmanship, and scholarship.

School spirit was given a further lift during the year by the Booster Club, made up of loyal student boosters. Organized since MHS became a four-year high school, the Booster Club was sponsored this year by Donald Harper and Misses Kay Leipold and Harriet Nichols.

The club sponsored booster buses to out-of-town games at Benton Harbor, Mich.; Mishawaka, and Indianapolis. Planning pep sessions and organizing cheering sections were an important part of the organization's activities. Morton's new baseball team was given a brilliant start when the Booster Club, MHS Association, and Athletic Department co-operated to open its season with a booster tag sale and special assembly.



SEND A CHEER across the floor. Morton's varsity cheerleaders lead a yell at a Booster Club-sponsored pep session as the pep band plays on.

To Cheer the Governor Teams On

BOOSTER CLUB members and one of the club's sponsors shown in the top picture at right are as follows. Row 1—Alice Evert, Linda Smith, Connie Parsons, Barbara Marsh, Sue Berkheiser, Janet Slivka, and Miss Kay Leopold. Row 2—Cynthia Marcinkovich, Janis Frankovich, Mary Ann Skertich, Sharon Adelsperger, Joyce May, and JoAnne Minelli.

Row 3—Cheryl Michigan, Carolyn Crowe, Margaret Beckett, Judy Cavanaugh, JoAnn Evans, and Cecilia Clark. Row 4—Steve Hawkins, Cleona Fields, Carol Brown, Sharon Morey, Janet Derslinger, Sue Frankland, Marge Sherrick, Vivian Buldak, Pat Garson, Yvonne Gardner, Pat Kukla, and Virginia Chizmar.

Row 5—Carol Vanzo, Janet Hill, Ruth Gavoda, Carol Gazdik, Judy Fleming, Joy Holm, Betty Krupa, Carol Kantor, Bonnie Sharkey, Pat Palmer, JoAnn Poole, Barbara McLean, president; Judy Luchene, vice-president; Greta Simpson, secretary, and Beverly Muffett, treasurer. Row 6—Judi Rubense, Ann Peterson, Andrea Drapach, Bonnie Cripe, June Davis, Gloria Kalena, Pat Mecysne, Shirley Golec, Jim Bradley, Joe Auksel, Jerry Francis, Edwin Gatons, Charles Cornwell, and Bill Highland.

That was only half the Booster Clubbers. Most of the rest of the members and another of the sponsors are shown in the second picture. They are as follows: Row 1—Linda Hart, Marge Burton, Diane DeLarbe, Kathy Sheaks, and Jerry Tomich. Row 2—Barbara LaBellie, Florence Desmond, Sandy Neal, Sandy Capalby, and Shirley Frohock.

Row 3—Pat Miskosky, Bonnie Jackowski, Judy Momimack, Salli Von Almen, Bernie Chatilla, Cathy Frigyes, Ann Bolen, Carol Van Senni, Sally Majewski, Bonnie Nelson, Bessie Anderson, and Pam Gaughan. Row 4

Bill Peterson, Bill Stewart, Georgette Pumrea, Lillian Zimmerman, Kathryn Mizsali, Betty Takacs, Madelyn Lee, Florence Hart, Rita Kovach, Judy Dowling, JoAnn Evans, Sandy Buldak, Connie Doughman, Linda Johnson, Judy Bogan, Margo Kestner and Donald Harper.

Row 5—Joe Solan, Jerry Waugaman, Judy Godwin, Rhea Christensen, Nancy Heldt, Janet Bedwell, Carla Carstensen, Betsy Miller, Linda Klein, Judy Lambert, Priscilla Torpey, Bonnie Gaither, Winifred Smith, Alice Petyo, Carole Eichelberger, Marilyn Johnson, Ronna Szafarczyk, and Linda Feltv.

Row 6—Henry Myslwy, Orvel Stephen, JoAnn Brislmyer, Bernadette Kristoff, Joan Brown, Judy Svenningson, JoAnn Cukovich, Charlotte Bittner, Judy Lutes, Zoe Bachmann, Kathy Hindmarch, Joan Prenich, Bonnie Eman, and Norma White.

Booster Club members were very active this year, sponsoring booster buses to Governor football games in Benton Harbor, Mich. and Mishawaka and the Indianapolis Short Rudge basketball game; organizing pep sessions at the big game, and helping to start Morton's first baseball season off with a bang.



ONE OF THE Booster Club's best pep sessions was the one based around a "Mickey Mouse Club" team. Here a group of Morton Mouseketeers are getting ready to cheer the Governor's varsity basketball squad.

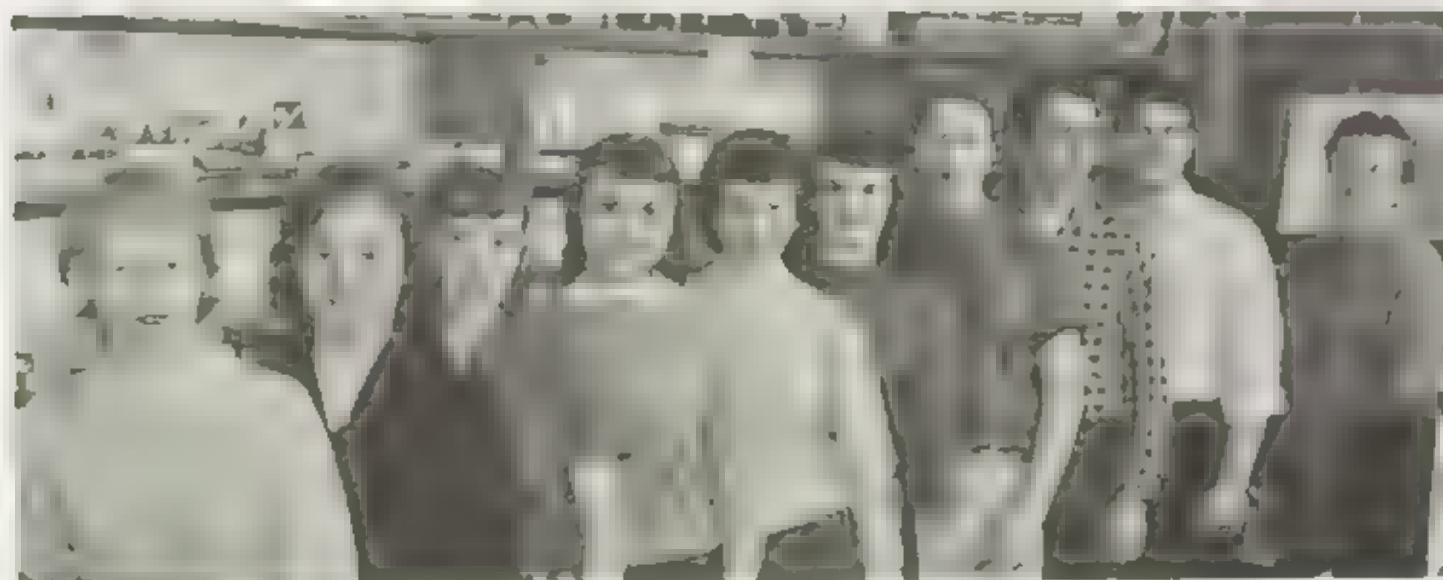


Student Library, Bookstore, Cafeteria, Clinic, and Office Workers

Students Serve Their School, Gaining Valuable Experience



ASSISTING MISS M
Aileen Allman, Morton
librarian, in the library
this year were these girls
Row 1—Beverly Muffet,
Ruth Kessler, and Mary
Ellen Barry Row 2—Bar-
bara Williams, Vicki Jen-
kins, Eleonore Balka, Cle-
ona Fields, Betty Feldt,
Karen Daniel, Carol
Brown, Judy Rubense, and
Nancy Feldt.



WORKING in the book
store under the guidance
of Miss Kay Leipold were
these students: Janet Jep-
peson, Gloria Patrick,
Kathryn Snyders, Shirley
Golec, Judy Rosenberger,
Pat Miles, Margaret Miller,
Roy Ogborn, and Jim
Harrison

LEROY JOHNSON, Ed-
ward Williford, Larry
Blane, Jim Hopp, Harold
Jones, Lamont Wolff, Jack
Cunningham, Donna Sta-
farczyk, Harold Tunis,
Marvin Frank, and Larry
Czerniak were faithful
cafeteria workers



The Morton students who worked in the school's library, bookstore, cafeteria, clinic, and office had a two-fold purpose in doing so: they wanted to gain valuable experience in fields which interested them, and they wanted to serve Morton High School.

A good book is supposed to be a good friend; a good library worker who enables one to obtain a good book is a good friend also. Morton's student librarians, who worked under the direction of Miss M. Aileen Allman, school librarian, proved to be good friends to their fellow students by helping them to locate books—and other materials as well; by checking materials "in" and "out," and by being generally helpful to Miss Allman as she went about her duties as librarian.

Helping Mrs. Gladys Reynolds Morton treasurer, handle financial transactions in the bookstore were the student bookstore workers. They performed their services under the direction of Miss Kay Leipold, a teacher in the Morton Commercial Department.

Each period of the school day would find a bookstore assistant ready to sell his fellow Morton students much-needed school supplies. In addition, bookstore helpers sold tickets for various school events and collected locker fines for the Student Court.

Not only did the cafeteria helpers serve their school and gain experience in their lunchroom duties, but each got a free meal every day as well. They performed such tasks as selling milk and candy to cafeteria diners and cleaning dishes and silverware.

Girls who worked in the clinic learned practical rules of health. Under the guidance of Miss Laura Gibson, Morton's school nurse, clinic assistants learned how to administer first aid, how to give screening tests,

how to keep health records, and in general how to assist in a school health program.

Since appointment to the position of clinic helper depended on the recommendation of her counselor, a girl needed to be a good student and a very dependable person in general to get such an appointment.

Morton's capable student office helpers assisted with the office routine and learned sound business prac-

tices at the same time.

Whether they were collecting attendance slips from classrooms, or "running off" tests on the Ditto machine, or typing out reports, or performing other duties for Mrs. Isabel Payne and Miss Joyce Emerson, Morton's office staff, *efficiency* was the watchword for the Morton office helpers.

It appears that Morton's student workers fulfilled their purpose.



THESE CLINIC helpers gained valuable nursing experience working under Miss Laura Gibson, school nurse Row 1—Tanna Scofield, Margaret Vickerman, Ramona

Adams, and Judy Croy Row 2—Mary Modjeski, Pat Sebahat, Naomi Murchek, Kathy Butno, and Beverly Novak



OFFICE WORKERS got experience in the efficient operation of an office. They were as follows: Row 1—Sherrie Lazar, Marilyn Dervay, Carol Fox, and Judy Hutsler. Row 2—Sharon Adelsperger, Joan Kaczka, Janet Jeppeson, Mary Rivich, Mary Ann Sketich, Mary Modjeski, Carole Kitzman, Hazel Deissler, Agnes Scofield, Ruth Christensen, Bonnie Cripe, Barbara McCarty, and Pat Garson.

Stage Crew, Junior Theater Guild, Theater Guild

These Groups Help in Production



MEMBERS OF the Stage Crew, pictured with Mrs. Lucy Hack and Miss May Virden, their sponsors, included the following: Row 1—Ron Szyndrowski, (space), Marlene White, Diana Barragree, Dorothy Balka, Ruth Christensen, Lorraine Brosman, and Janet Zawadski. Row 2—Bob Alexander, Jack Hutchinson, and Ralph Goodwin. Row 3—Dave Cook, August Schimhka, John Fekete, Bob Scholler, Dave Wright, and Gary Rohs.

Morton's Theater Guild sponsored the all-school fall play, "Jane Eyre," based on the novel of the same name by Charlotte Bronte, and the Christmas pageant, "Let's Keep Christmas," by Peter Marshall.

Although many guild members had parts in these two productions, membership in the guild was not a requirement for MHS students wishing to participate.

Members of the guild, whose meetings were held in the evenings, went to Chicago with Morton National Honor Society members to see "The Great Sebastian," starring Alfred Lunt and Lynn Fontanne.

The Junior Theater Guild, meeting on alternate club periods, put on several one-act plays with and for its own members.

The Stage Crew, together with the Art Club, worked on lighting and scenery for the two Theater Guild productions and helped with such work on the senior play.

Miss May Virden and Mrs. Lucy Hack sponsored the three stage groups. In the Theater Guild productions and the senior play, which they worked on also, Miss Virden served as director and, together with Art Club sponsor Anthony Wauro, supervised scenery and lighting; Mrs. Hack handled finances and make-up.



STAGE CREW members John Fekete and Dave Cook are hanging curtains for the senior play in the photo at left. In the one at right Carlos Vargas rummages through boxes in the properties room.

of Plays and Programs at Morton

SENIOR THEATER Guild members, pictured with Miss May Virden, their sponsor, are as follows: Row 1—Dave Wright; Pat Dunn; Janice Hanzi; Carol Krupa, president; John Fekete, vice-president; Sue Losh, and Alexandra Gardner. Row 2—Dave Cook, Carol Fox, Beverly Mustett, and Sharon Adeisberger. Row 3—Shirley Golec, Jan Taylor, Roberta Smith, Nina Hayworth, Joyce Nemeth, Joe Wysong, and Phil Jackson. Row 4—Sue Martin, Donna McGinnis, Ruth Christensen, Dorothy Balka, Barbara McCarty, Cecelia Clark and Bob Alexander. This year members of the Senior Theater Guild together with Morton NHS chapter members, went to Chicago to see "The Great Sebastian."



THE FOLLOWING Junior Theater Guild members are shown with Mrs. Lucy Hack, their sponsor: Row 1—Ruth Christensen, president, Dorothy Balka, secretary-treasurer, Ron Barnes, Henry Mysliwy, and Judy Lundgren. Row 2—Kathie Barragree, Barbara Szepanski, Nina Hayworth, Carol Fox, Janet Zawadski, Jan Taylor, and Christine Swalich. Row 3—Beverly Novak, Claudia Sipe, Ramona Adams, Donna McGinnis, and Carla Carstensen.

THEATER GUILDERS Nina Hayworth, Ruth Christensen, Mrs. Lucy Hack, and Dorothy Balka apply make-up to Ramona Adams, Betty Feldt, and Alex Gardner for their roles in "Arsenic and Old Lace," Morton's senior class play.





THESE ART Club members are shown with Anthony Wauro, Art Club sponsor: Row 1—Shirley Spudic, Judi Rubense, Sally Gearman, Larry Overstreet, Linda Johnson, Judy Boggan, Janet Galen, and Diane Bradford Row 2—Jim Zinn, Mell Rambo Richard Turner, and George Bradburn. Row 3—Joe Rossi, Bob Lipsig Charles Hansen; Roger Mietzwa; Ed Kliza; Carol Brown, president; Ronnie Wiggins, vice-president; Carol Vanzo, secretary, and Barry Quigg, treasurer.

Art Club

School Art Work: from Gourds to Scenery

THESE ART Club members are making decorations out of gourds for sale at Morton's Fall Festival



The Art Club had an eventful year. Members worked on stage settings for "Jane Eyre," the Christmas pageant, and "Arsenic and Old Lace," contributing many study-hall and after-school hours to seeing that sets were ready by curtain time. Also they visited the Art Institute and the Whitaker and Guernsey Studio in Chicago.

The theme of their annual dance was "The Thing." The Thing was a cubistic guitar player 18 feet tall made from cardboard cartons and named Elvis Frankenstein. Masks made by club members were given to guests as they arrived at the dance. During the evening parent chaperones selected persons wearing the most original masks to compete in a contest judged by the chaperones.

In order to finish its many projects the club began to meet from 7 to 9 p.m. every other Wednesday at the start of the second semester. Late in spring, when the weather proved suitable and the evenings long, the group, under the sponsorship of Anthony Wauro, made outdoor sketching trips in the vicinity of the school.

ALWAYS READY to assist the Stage Crew when it came to making scenery for Morton plays were members of the Art Club.



LADIES, GENTLEMEN,
and MHS students
The members of the For-
ensics Club put their or-
atorical abilities to good
use. They are shown here
with Winston Becker and
Frank Palko, their spon-
sors. Row 1—Betty Sue
Zitko and Kathy Hind-
march, co-parliamentarians.
Row 2—Jim Harrison,
president; Gail Zea, trea-
surer, and Alexandra Gardner,
secretary. Row 3—
Doug Holley, Jerry Francis
and Terry Kelleher. Row
4—Steve Hawkins, Bob
Smalley, Ruth Walker,
Nancy Rentrow, Mildred
Tabich, Sheila Virag,
Miriam Worman, and
Cecilia Clark.



Forensics Club, Debate Team

Silver-Tongued Orators Get NFL Charter

The MHS Forensics Club took pride in its attainment of membership in the National Forensics League this year. The awarding of the NFL charter culminated months of working for points by members through participation in such events as original oratory; extemporaneous speaking, oratorical, dramatic, and humorous declamation; poetry reading, and radio announcing.

Although a student had to be a member of the club to get NFL points, he did not have to be a member to be in speech and debate meets. One member of the debate team, for example, was not a Forensics member.

During the year several competitive speech meets were held in region high schools, with Morton acting as a host school in March. In December, Forensics Club members and other students journeyed to West Lafayette to attend the Annual High School Debate Conference and Legislative Assembly.

Morton winners in the district open speech contest at Hammond Clark included Bill Beaver, Ce... Clark, and Betty Zitko. Winston Becker and Frank Palko sponsored speech and debate activities this year.

LISTENING TO Alex Gardner, a 10th grade debater, are these members of the Morton High School debate team: Richard Jurnagin, Jim Harrison, and Sheila Virag.



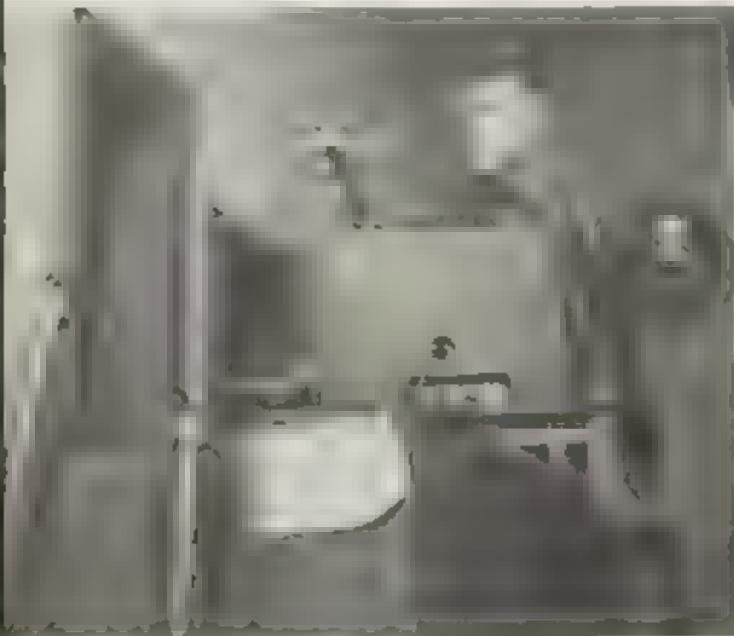
Cinema Club

"Gibson Boys" Do Morton's A-V Work



ONE OF THE members of the Cinema Club, Jim Dekoker, is working the rewinding apparatus in one of the audio-visual aids rooms.

GARY RUHS, an experienced movie projectionist, is finishing running a movie for a class in the projection room behind room 234A.



One of the oldest organizations at Morton, the Cinema Club, has grown from a small group to a large, well-equipped, smooth-functioning organization. Arthur Gibson, as Morton's audio-visual aids co-ordinator, was the sponsor of the group.

The name "Cinema Club" implies that club members were limited to taking care of slide and movie equipment. This, however, was not the case. For they were in charge of most of the school's phonographs and tape recorders as well.

In addition, every event that required loudspeaker facilities—such as a record dance in the gym or on the blacktop or an auditorium session—found a Cinema Clubber or two on hand to make sure that everything ran smoothly.

The club improved its facilities during the year by obtaining storage space for equipment in the school office, using a microphone with sound movies, and using a cart to carry equipment from room to room.

The club and a-v equipment occupied two special rooms—room 234A, which is equipped with a movie screen, loudspeaker, and black window shades, and a projection and storage room in back of the main room.

Actually, there were two Cinema Clubs at Morton last year—a junior high club and a high school club. However, the **TOP HAT**, as a high school yearbook, is mainly concerned with the latter.

Junior high club members learned the use of a-v equipment, while senior high club members accepted additional responsibilities by signing up for specific committee work.

Some of the committees were as follows: cleaning and oiling motion picture projectors, inspecting and shipping movie film, taking care of other equipment, operating loudspeaker systems in the gym and auditorium, and taking care of classroom film requisitions and orders.

MEMBERS OF the Senior High School Cinema Club performed a valuable service to Morton by running the audio-visual aids equipment for the entire school. Shown with Arthur Gibson, their sponsor, they are as follows: Row 1—Clark Gardner, Leroy Johnson, Jim Crum, Edward Williford, and Ray Chandos. Row 2—James Pettit, sophomore Richard Fleming, Danny Petty, Jim

Dekoker, Ray Stirling, Jim Smitty, and Bob Schroeder. Row 3—Leroy Noble; Richard Turner; Al Shike; Jack Bremet, president; Don MacCartney, vice-president, and senior Richard Fleming, secretary. Row 4—Floyd Klamut, Tom Moeglin, Ken Lessie, Michael Shanahan, Gary Paquin, Ken Reid, Gary Ruhs, Bob Schoeller, and Dan Clark.



Monitors

Hall Conduct Is Supervised By Students

Monitors were responsible for keeping order in the halls when classes were in session. With 15 monitors on duty each period all important posts were covered. Sponsored by Nick Luketic, monitors checked passes of students out of their assigned classrooms and directed visitors to the office for special passes.

SHOWN WITH Nick Luketic, their sponsor, are these monitors: Row 1—Janis Frankovich, Judy Svenningsen, Salli Von Almen, and Joyce Guerin. Row 2—Judy Luchene, Karen Lutes, Janet Hill, Laura Brown, Pat Fitzgerald, Sandy Adelsperger, and Pauline Robinson. Row 3—Jack Cunningham, Rita Kovach, Gerry Sweatingen, Lorraine Wisniewski, and Maryanoe Primich. Row 4—Betty Peto, Doty Rosenberger, Irene Breger, Gloria Patrick, Jean Krejci, Peggy Mauger, Shartton Morey, Maureen O'Boyle, Charlotte Bittner, Esther West, Lorraine Brosman, Gail Zea, Janet Novath, Pat Sebahar, and Betty Czech.

Row 5—Miriam Worman, Ramona Adams, Donna Stuhlmacher, (space), Dorothy Krizan, Carol Kannor, Mary Kempley, Carol Vanzo, and Connie Hatfield. Row 6—Shirley Golec, Par Mecysne, Margaret Vickerman, Carol Nemcek, Janet Camp, Jim Soltan, Phil Shanta, Dennis Orr, Carl Melton, Don Svenningsen, Don Ritchey, Mike Kors, George Conger, Cecelia Clark, Connie Huff, Sharon Woolsey, Pat Bloom, Janet Magill, and Donna Woerner.

Monitors in the second picture are as follows: Row 1—Joyce Nemeth, Kathy Burdeau, Barbara Marsh, and Kathy Barno. Row 2—Frank Alexander, Jerome Babitz, Harold Shirley, Beverly Muffett, Connie Parsons, Ann Peculin, and Donna Draengmeister.

Row 3—Ron Balta, Gloria Kalena, Bernadette Kristoff, Betsy Miller, Marge Sherrick, Joyce May, JoAnne Minelli, Barbara McCarty, and Sara Bradley. Row 4—Judy McCoy, Donna McGinnis, Carol Bubac, Judy Howard, Gloria Marek, Joan Kaczka, JoAnn Evans, Sue Jones, Judy Hutsler, and Joy Holm.

Row 5—Joan Ray, Joyce Neal, Tona Royer, Adreine Sabik, Sue Martin, Cynthia Mankovich, Marsha Muha, Jack Ward, Don Stryzinski, and Richard Shawver. Row 6—Douglas Holley, Joan Thomas, Jean Cvitkovich, Simone Smith, Bonnie Cripe, Ann Peterson, Andrea Dlapach, Ronnie Cunningham, Floyd MacDonald, Andy Marek, Roy Ogborn, Don Brimer, and Bob Faughn.

MONITORS LIKE Don Batsel were stationed throughout the halls of Morton to keep order when classes were in session



Newspaper Staff

MORTONITE: The Voice of the Students



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Loring Place, and
Loring Row, between Cen-
tral Park and Park Avenue Row—
Montgomery Street, Broadway,
and Barbara McLean Row—
Hoover centre, and Madison Avenue

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"The Voice of the Students," the motto appearing under the logotype, or nameplate, of the *Mortonite*, MHS newspaper, was very appropriate; for all news and feature articles, editorials, and columns in the paper were written concerning Mortonites by Morton students.

Staff members working on the editorial end of the paper wrote, copy-read, headlined, and proofread copy and laid out pages, while those on the business end were in charge of circulation and selling ads.

Students in Mrs. Norma Kelly's laboratory class in journalism were largely responsible for getting out the paper, with assistance coming from nonjournalism students in such fields as editorials, sports, and make up. Like band and choir, journalism was really an organization—in this case an outgrowth of the old Press Club.

It's your **Mark** and we're first to say the best features are to our six leading dealers in the **Mark** area and outside for the week newspapers in its circulation area.

SPORTS EDITOR BILL Shannon watches a letter operate a press at the Home Publishing Co., printer of the *Almanac*.



COULD THAT be her "The Other Half" column that editor-in-chief Pat Palmer is watching Irvin Howard set on the Linotype?



Indiana Junior Historical Society Chapter

Pottawatomians Trace Hoosier History Trail

"This morning the children came in to me . . . with the cry, 'Indians, Mother, Indians'"

"I quieted the children by telling that . . . they were some of the Pottawatomies who came . . . to see their Indian graves on the south bank of the (Grand Calumet) River."

This excerpt from the diary of Mrs. Ernst Hohman, part of the first family to settle in downtown Hammond, was written in 1859. Because the Pottawatomi tribe has an older history than any other Calumet Region group, Morton's chapter of the Indiana Junior Historical Society is its namesake.

This year society members took a trip to southern Indiana with other students interested in social studies, visiting such places as Corydon, the first state capital and the hometown of Mrs. Olive Byers, sponsor. In May the group held an awards breakfast in the cafeteria.

SOME OF the members of Morton's Pottawatomi Chapter of the Indiana Junior Historical Society are shown in the top photo with Mrs. Olive Byers, their sponsor. Row 1—Nancy McCooe, Cynthia Martin Kovich, Marianne Zlotnik, Mary Rivich, Judy Klen, Judy Mathes, Connie Parsons, Pat Mecysne, and Gloria Kajena. Row 2—Rita Kovach, Betsy Miller, Diana Martinich, Janet Schimming, Marsha Muha, Joyce May, JoAnn Minelli, Pat Kukta, and Barbara Marsh.

Row 3—Pat Setuhar, Joyce Kelderhouse, Allan Quigley, Judy LaBelle, Betty Krupa, Nancy Lukens, Dorothy Krizan, Carol Kantor, Mary Kempsey, and Maryanne Primich. Row 4—Don Svenningsen, Don Ritchey, Jack Ward, Jack Mandernack, Don Mentzer, Wayne Smith, Paul Sybert, Tony Koutos, and Peter Ladale.

Other Morton historical society members are shown in the second photo. Row 1—Sandra Capalby, Joy Holm, Judy Fleming, Kathy Frigyes, and Janis Frankovich. Row 2—Janet Hill, Ruth Gasvoda, Carol Gazdik, Bernie Churilla, Joan Brown, and JoAnn Evans.

Row 3—Jerry Bell, Bob Iorio, Bob Jepson, John Breger, Judy Dowling, Dave Herring, Ann Bolen, JoAnn Cvitkovich, Shirley Golec, Alice Evert, Irene Breger, Bill Magan, president; Dave Gasvoda, vice president; Judy Luchene, secretary, and Dan George, treasurer. Row 4—Dick Hmielewski, sergeant-at-arms; Walter Dittrich, Richard Yanek, sergeant at arms; Ed Chick, Beno, Bethel, and George Conger.





Girls' Club, JRC Chapter

Mortonites Better Themselves, Others



TO HELP needy families in foreign countries these busy members of the Morton Chapter of the Junior Red Cross are packing Christmas gift boxes

THIS YEAR'S Girls' Club members, shown with Miss Jacqueline Martine, their sponsor, included the following. Row 1—Estella Moore, Barbara Mang, June Cernevski, Wendy Gasper, Christine Swalck, and Joan Thomas. Row 2—Delores Rosenberger, Kathie Battagree, Claudia Sipe, Ann Peculin, Maureen O'Boyle, and Jackie Cozad. Row 3—Eleanor Balka, Sharon Woolsey, Pat Shay, Peggy Matusak, Gloria Marek, Barbara Chalmers, Pat Halsen, Donna Drangmeister, Betty Thieling, Lorraine Wisniewski, president; Pat Weis, vice-president, Martha Williams, secretary, and Joan Ray, treasurer. Row 4—Mildred Tubich, Judy Cotterell, Jerry Smalley, Pam Martin, Adrienne Zallen, Kathryn Snyder, Pat White, Margaret Walter, and Kathy Barbo

The Morton Girls' Club is a relatively new organization, having been organized for only two years. Its purpose is to acquaint members with rules of gracious living

Panel discussions on questions of etiquette enlivened this year's meetings of the club, sponsored by Miss Jacqueline Martine, and film strips on various aspects of social life proved to be practical as well as entertaining. Members had fun putting on skits showing the "do's" and "don'ts" of daily living

Morton's Junior Red Cross chapter, under the sponsorship of Miss Anna Evanoff, set off its enrollment drive by sponsoring the movie "My Friend Flicka." Members sent their annual gift boxes overseas before Thanksgiving, donated to the Hammond Christmas Cheer Fund, presented a style show, and purchased supplies for Beatty Memorial Hospital in Westville and the North Township Men's Shelter

MEMBERS OF the Morton Junior Red Cross chapter, shown with Miss Anna Evanoff, chapter sponsor, included these students. Row 1—Leroy Schmoekel, Edward Krupa, Cliff Bickle, Pat Parker, Kathy Stoikovich, Edwina Grecic, and Jack Cunningham. Row 2—Marilyn Gruska, Joan Sockett, June Spear, Sandra Kessler, Marcia Franke, and Sharon Neely. Row 3—Judy Kleo, president; Judy Howard, vice-president; Carol Jeppeson, secretary-treasurer; Barbara Goodson, Margaret Baut, Darlene Miller, Marianne Ziornik, and Mary Rivich. Row 4—Joyce Guerin, Janet Schimming, Sue Martin, Jean Cvitkovich, and Judy Watson



POSSIBLE FUTURE scientists, these students, shown with Mrs. Esther Hand, their club sponsor, belonged to Morton's Phy-Chem Club: Row 1—Betty Feldt, Sue Berkheiser, Janice Searls, Gloria Marek, and Lea Evans. Row 2—Richard Shawver, George Hand, Carol Barr, and Juanita Paquin. Row 3—Dale Spidel, president; Don Stryzinski, vice-president; Gale Bradford, secretary; Don Voros, treasurer; Janet Slivka; Linda Smith; Virginia Chizmar; Betty Czech, and Lorna Clark. Row 4—Bill Maxon; Ted Tarr, sergeant-at-arms; Dave Cook; Richard Jarnagin; Terry Mauter; Steve Suto; Eugene Peto; Jerome Babitz; Bill Beaver; Tom Hoffman; Leslie MacDonald; Connie Hatfield, and Jerry Arcella. Row 5—Richard Fleming, Dave Weedon, Sherman Chancellor, Wally Phares, Bob Stuhlmacher, Jim Bradley, Don Roberts, Bob Alexander, and Eugene Pringle. Row 6—Terry Hayden, John Zgunda, and Dave Vahorvich

One of the most interesting clubs at Morton, the Phy-Chem Club this year had a membership of 50. Mrs. Esther Hand, sponsor, worked with the officers to plan programs for the purpose of furthering students' interest in physics and chemistry. Guest speakers from scientific fields and club members spoke on topics of current interest at the group's meetings.

For the first time the club awarded pins to members who had earned a sufficient number of points. This summer it sent one of its members to the High School Science Institute at Indiana University, Bloomington.

To give members a better understanding of biology was the purpose of the Morton Biology Club, sponsored by Julian Rasmussen. To accomplish that end members took field trips to the Chicago Museum of Natural History and the Indiana Dunes State Park. In addition, speakers on biology addressed members at club meetings. Dr. Kenneth Wilson of Purdue University's Hammond center spoke on college biology courses, and several members spoke on such subjects as skin diving and deep-sea fishing.

Biology Clubbers sponsored a calypso dance this spring and held two roller-skating parties.



Phy-Chem, Biology Clubs

Science Clubbers Are "Up 'n' Atom"



BOA CONSTRUCTORS really aren't slimy, say the four Biology Club officers—who are in a position to know! They and their fellow Biology Clubbers are shown in this photo with Julian Rasmussen, club sponsor: Row 1—Judy Thomas, Carol Van Senus, Sarah Skelton, Lois Walder, and Teddy Allen. Row 2—Gilbert Walter, vice-president; John Fekete, president; Sherrie Lazar, secretary; Gary Gull, treasurer; Bill Ward; Pat Weiss, and Gretchen Krughoff. Row 3—Tom Pumrea, Bill Peterson, Jim Hopp, Dolores Walker, Linda Sain, Charlotte Bittner, Carole Eicheberger, Sharon Adams, Diane DeLatbre, Marlene McMillan, and Jane Hayden. Row 4—Bill Schmid, Dennis Diehl, Roy Ogborn, Joe Wysong, Kenneth Simmers, Dan Weiss, Dave Duma, Dave Cook, Tony Pagharulo, Margie Schaefer, Bonnie Nelson, Roberta Smith, and Linda Liming. Row 5—Bill Highland, (space), John Rolfe, Andrew Marek, Larry Czerniak, Floyd MacDonald, Jerry Leedy, David Milne, Charles Pitzele, Richard Austin, Diana Barragree, Lorraine Brosman, Judy Marley, Patty Parker, Sharon Neely, and Sue Martin. This year Biology Clubbers took two field trips—one to the Chicago Museum of Natural History and the other to the Indiana Dunes State Park—and held two roller skating parties.

Y-Teens, Hi-Y Chapters

Mortonites Practice the Ways of the "Y's"



THESE Y-TEEN members, shown with Mrs. Lena Bonebrake, sponsor of the MHS Y-Teen chapter, worked in close association with the Hammond branch of the YWCA during the year. Row 1—Barbara Williams, Connie Coomes, Nancy Dittrich, Roberta Fox, and Judy Thomas. Row 2—Marilyn Detvay, Donna Smith, Gale Shearer, Shirley Hess, Barbara Barr, Peggy Mauger, Nancy Parkovich, Shirley Yarusinsky, Kathy Brady, Carole Moats, Marilyn Balog, Marlene McMillen, Ramona Adams, president, and Dorothy Wadole, vice president. Row 3—Pat Smith, Annetta Parrish, Regina Spencer, Sandra Kruto, Shirley Byrd, Sally Aageberg, Roberta Smith, Tona Royer, Sandra Pelhunk, Karen Duncker, Jane Hayden, Marilyn Zawadzki, Carol Fox, Barbara Bernard, Virginia Holloway, Pat Van Gorp, and Tanna Scofield. Row 4—Leslie MacDonald, Carole Williams, Carol Helling, Carol Hanton, Alice Forberg, Sharon Franken, (space), Pat Daugherty, Peggy Bevan, Ruth Walker, Lois Wells, Judy Keiller, Donna McGinnis, Sharon Stefano, Sharon Adams, Teddy Allen, Ada Neal, Karen Rosek, and Bonnie Baker. The Y Teen chapter had a total membership of 65 after the candlelight initiation ceremony held early in 1957.

HI-Y CO-SPONSOR Jack Georgas, Bob Hutchinson, Mike Kots, and Bob Henry prepare to deliver the annual Thanksgiving gift of food donated by Morton students to a needy Hammond family



Sponsored by Mrs. Lena Bonebrake, the Morton Chapter of the Y-Teens was affiliated with other area chapters through the Teen Dept. of the Hammond YWCA branch.

In October several Morton Y-Teens attended the candlelight initiation ceremony of the East Chicago Roosevelt Y-Teens. The Morton chapter was responsible for decorations at the World Fellowship Tea at the Hammond YWCA Nov. 11, and members made 90 Christmas corsages for ladies at the St. Ann Home in Hammond. MHS Y-Teens sold potato chips to raise money for their philanthropic work.

Preparing and adopting a new constitution kept the MHS Hi-Y chapter very active this year. The group also sold pencils with MHS basketball schedules on them and gave food to needy families at Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Several members attended the state Hi-Y convention in Muncie Nov. 16-17. The Morton group, sponsored by Jack Georgas and Ralph Kelly, planned to have one delegate at the summer session of the Eighth National YMCA Congress and two delegates at the Hi-Y summer camp.



MEMBERS OF the popular, well-organized Morton Chapter of the Hi-Y are shown here with Jack Georgas, one of the chapter's sponsors. Row 1—Floyd McDonald, Tom Pumnea, Frank Suto, Richard Nischan, and Dennis Kramer. Row 2—Jim Williams, Ed Sterling, Fred Jazyk, Jim Dedelow, Richard Yanek, George Bradburn, John Kirkland, Tetty Kelleher, Bob Ritz, and Jim Collins. Row 3—Richard Austin, Gary Lambert, Bob Lipsig, Phil Kozubal, Bob Russell, Jerry Oller, Joe Marshall, Tony Anderson, James Soltan, George Hand, Dave Weedon, Dave Herting, Dan Weiss, Eugene Petro, secretary; Mike Kots, president, and George Baldea, treasurer. Row 4—Wally Phates, Ken MacDonald, Tim Volkman, Ron Anderson, Dennis Orr, chaplain, and Ralph Yanek, sergeant-at-arms.

FTA Chapter, FNA

There's a Future in These Clubs!

The constitution of the A. W. Clark Chapter of the Future Nurses of America limits membership in the chapter to 40 MHS students who rank high scholastically.

Organized in 1952, the chapter this year gave scholarships to all graduating seniors who plan to teach, raising money for the project by dances and bake sales. The group, which was sponsored by Mrs. Margaret Walker and Miss Louise Williams, also saved B & W Crocker coupons to obtain silverware for Morton teas and receptions.

The Future Nurses of America, organized at Morton for the last three years, does not belong to any state or national organization, although it does receive literature and guidance from a committee on nursing careers.

Members chose two of their group to receive \$25 nursing scholarships. Sponsored by Miss Laura Gibson, members also visited the Presbyterian-St. Luke Hospital School of Nursing in Chicago, sponsored a dance, held two "get-acquainted" teas for new members, and heard speakers from the city mental health clinic and county cancer society.



MANY OF Morton's FNA chapter members, shown with Miss Laura Gibson, FNA chapter sponsor, dream of the day when they will be wearing a uniform like that of student nurse Elaine Ceglan, a 1956 MHS graduate. Row 1—Eleanor Baldwin, Kathy Barro, Loretta Olson, Karen Lutes, and Joyce Dukeman. Row 2—Simone Smith, Sandy Adelsperger, Mary Ann Kozubal, Janice Searls, Janet Jeppeson, Alex Gardner, Pat Sebahar, Lorna Clark, Betty Czech, Phyllis Nelson, and Sharron Christensen. Row 3—Pauline Robinson, Nancy Phillips, Joyce Nemerh, Mary Modjeski, Nancy Lukens, and Rita Shebesh. Row 4—Judy Warren, Judy Stryzinski, Lorraine Baut, Rochelle Stowers, Ella Meade, Sue Jones, Bonnie Thomas, Marlene Tall, Donna Stuhlmacher, Margaret Vickerman, Sue Losh, president, Lynne Fitzwater, vice-president, Pat Fitzgerald, corresponding secretary, and Barbara McCarty, secretary. Row 5—Gloria Nemcek, Diana Martinich, Joyce Neal, Pat Bloom, Carol Nemcek, and Nancy McCooe.



"I PUT my left hand in . . ." Sue Losh, FTA student teacher, leads Miss Jane Morgan's Morton kindergarteners in the looby-loo.

THESE POTENTIAL teachers, all Morton FTA chapter members, are shown with Mrs. Margaret Walker and Miss Louise Williams, sponsors of the FTA chapter. Row 1—Nancy Feldt, Judy Cavanaugh, Carl Melton, Jack Cunningham, and Tom Osmon. Row 2—Carolyn Johnson, Carolyn Crowe, Margaret Beckett, Alice Hopman; Jim Somerville, Ron Daun, Ken Bergner, Carol Krupa, president, Deborah Smith, vice-president; Janee Jeppeson, secretary, and Pat Fitzgerald, treasurer. Row 3—JoAnn Evans, Lynne Fitzwater, Betty Feldt, (space), Pat Smith, Carol Krizman, Maureen O'Boyle, Kathy Kwasny, Pat Ganson, Barbara McCarty, Sue Losh, Mary Ann Cook, Martha Williams, and Barbara Williams. Row 4—Wendy Gasper, Donna Fitzwater, Carol Helding, Pat Miles, Sharon Brant, and Shirley Yarusinsky.



Games Club

New This Year: Chess Champions



Its first year proved very successful for the Games Club. Sponsored by Frank Concialdi, the organization was originally supposed to offer many different games; but chess, because of its stimulating effect, became so popular that the club became known as much by the name "Chess Club" as by "Games Club."

Chess matches were organized, with games being played on a round robin basis. A final tournament was held at the end of the year.

"CHECKMATE!" MEMBERS of the MHS Games Club practiced playing the complicated game of chess. Members are shown with Frank Concialdi, Games Club sponsor. Row 1—Terry Plesack, president; Fred Holly, vice-president, John Skertich, secretary-treasurer; (space); Jim Wilinski; Ray Johnson, Ronald Bond, Ned Berbeco, Bill Buvala. Row 2—Jerry Steele, Roger Sheline, Jerry Johnson, Ed Jenkins, Gary Gardner, Edward Guza, Lynn Hayden, Paul Patterson, Lee Hickman, Karlos Patterson, Fred Davidson, David Wollin, John Mihal and Tim Sackett. Row 3—Ron Adelsperger, Richard Fleming, Ray Chandos, Edward Krupa, Leroy Schmoekel, Joe Ktol, Lonnie Cotner, Cliff Bickle, Jerry Jones, Jim Carr, and Jerry Hicks.

One of the most interesting clubs at Morton during the 1956-57 school year was the Spanish Club, under the sponsorship of Miss Della Narcisi, Morton's new Spanish teacher. Club activities centered around a study of Spain and Spanish customs.

The club held but one dance during the year, but proceeds from the affair helped considerably to fill the organization's treasury. Members attempted to learn some Spanish songs and dances as part of their study of Spanish life. Also, they planned to hold a farewell party for the seniors among them.

"BUENOS DIAS," say these members of the Morton Spanish Club, shown with Miss Della Narcisi, their sponsor. Row 1—Pam Martin, Carlos Vargas, president; Dennis Ott, vice-president, Salli Van Almen, secretary, and Cecelia Clark, treasurer. Row

Adrienne Zaleen, Hazel Deissler, June Cernyevski, Kathy Brady, and Peggy Bevan. Row 3—Frank Falusi, (space), Bob Ritz, Terry Keleher, Bob MacDonald, Jeff Zatc and Ron Szynkrowski. Row 4—Jim M., Phil Jackson, Charles Barnett, Bill Henderson, Ron Anderson, Tanna Scofield, Judy McCoy, Janice Hanzi, Judy Hutsler and Connie Litt.

Spanish Club

A Bit o' Spain in Hammond





CHARACTER, LEADERSHIP, scholarship and service—these students have those qualities and therefore were in National Honor Society. They are shown with Miss Mabel Hunter, Morton NHS chapter sponsor: Row 1—(seated) Cleona Fields, Sue Losh, Lea Evans, Mary Rivich, Margaret Beckett, Karen Daniel, Carol Krupa, Bill Beaver, and Sharon Brant Row 2—(standing) Cecelia Clark, Lynne Fitzwater; Pauline Holifield; Don Stryzinski, (seated) Janet Jeppesen; Virginia Chizmar; Carolyn Crowe

Carl Melton; Betty Feldt, Eugene Pringle Ted Tarr, president; Jerry Arcella, vice president, Sara Bradley, secretary, and Alice Hopman, treasurer Row 3—Glenn Schram Judy Hellinga, Judy Cavanaugh, (space) Ron Daun, JoAnn Evans, and Carolyn Johnson. Row 4—Bob Smalley, David Cook (space), Alexandra Gardner, Deborah Smith Pat Mues, Gloria Nemcek, Beverly Boesch and Pat Fitzgerald, alumni chairman. The MHS chapter held two induction ceremonies this year.

NHS Chapter

Students in "High" Society

To be a member of the Morton Chapter of the National Honor Society is a great honor granted only to outstanding students—students who excel in character, leadership, scholarship, and service. Ceremonies held in the auditorium two times this year to induct new members were of the highest caliber and dignity.

Senior NHS members acted as guides on Business-Industry-Education Day, while junior members served as ushers at Baccalaureate services and Commencement exercises. Sponsored by Miss Mabel Hunter, members saw "The Great Sebastian" with Theater Guilders in Chicago in the fall and attended a delightful banquet at Concordia Lutheran Church after this spring's induction ceremony.

Travel Club

"Globe-Trotters"

Tell of Trips

Stimulating and maintaining an interest in travel—objectives of the Morton Travel Club, sponsored by George Nelson—were achieved by including slides, movies, pictures, and talks on travel in club meetings.

This year Carole Moats talked on her trip around Lake Michigan; Sandra Shearer, on her trip to Manitoba; Jerry Oller, on trips to Denver, Colo., Cypress Gardens, Fla., and Mammoth Cave, Ky.; Jim Soltan and Arthur Steinman, on their trips to Minnesota; Jerry Francis, on his trip to Iowa, and Bob Alexander, on his trip to Washington, D. C.

TRAVEL CLUBBERS shown with sponsor George Nelson, joined the club to see the world—mainly through pictures and movies. Row 1—Juanita Emerson, Simone Smith, Sandy Adelsperger, Darlene Smith, and Carole Moats. Row 2—Carol Evert, Diane

Pete, Ken Salver, Melvin Lammetun, Jerry Waagman; Robert Linback, Arthur Steinman; Phil Kozubal, president; Tony Razzini, vice-president; Laura Brown, secretary, and Nancy Massengille, treasurer.



GAA Chapter, M-Club

Girl, Boy Athletes Belong to These Groups



SOME OF the girls in the Morton Chapter of the Girls' Athletic Association are shown in the photo at left with Miss Evelyn Schurr, their sponsor. Row 1—Kathy Barro, Pat Dunn, and Vicki Jenkins. Row 2—Jean Cvikovich, Mary Ann Cook, Connie Coomes, Andrea Banas, Zoe Bachmann, Janet Goult, Marilyn Balog, Marilyn Gruska, Judy Fredet, Barbara Bernard, and Kay Goodson. Row 3—Bonnie Gaither, Marge Burton, Bonnie Jackowski, Barbara Horvath, Maura Duffy, Edwina Grecic, Carol Helling, Carol Hanson, Alice Forsberg, Connie Doughman, Pat Drapach, Beverly Boesch, president; Bonnie Sharkey, vice-president; Barbara McLean, secretary, and Greta Simpson, treasurer. Row 4—Pat Bloom, Nancy Dittrich, Roberta Fox, Lorraine Powle, Bonnie Baker, Leilani Hoan, and Marilyn Johnson.

Other GAA members are shown in the second photo Row 1—



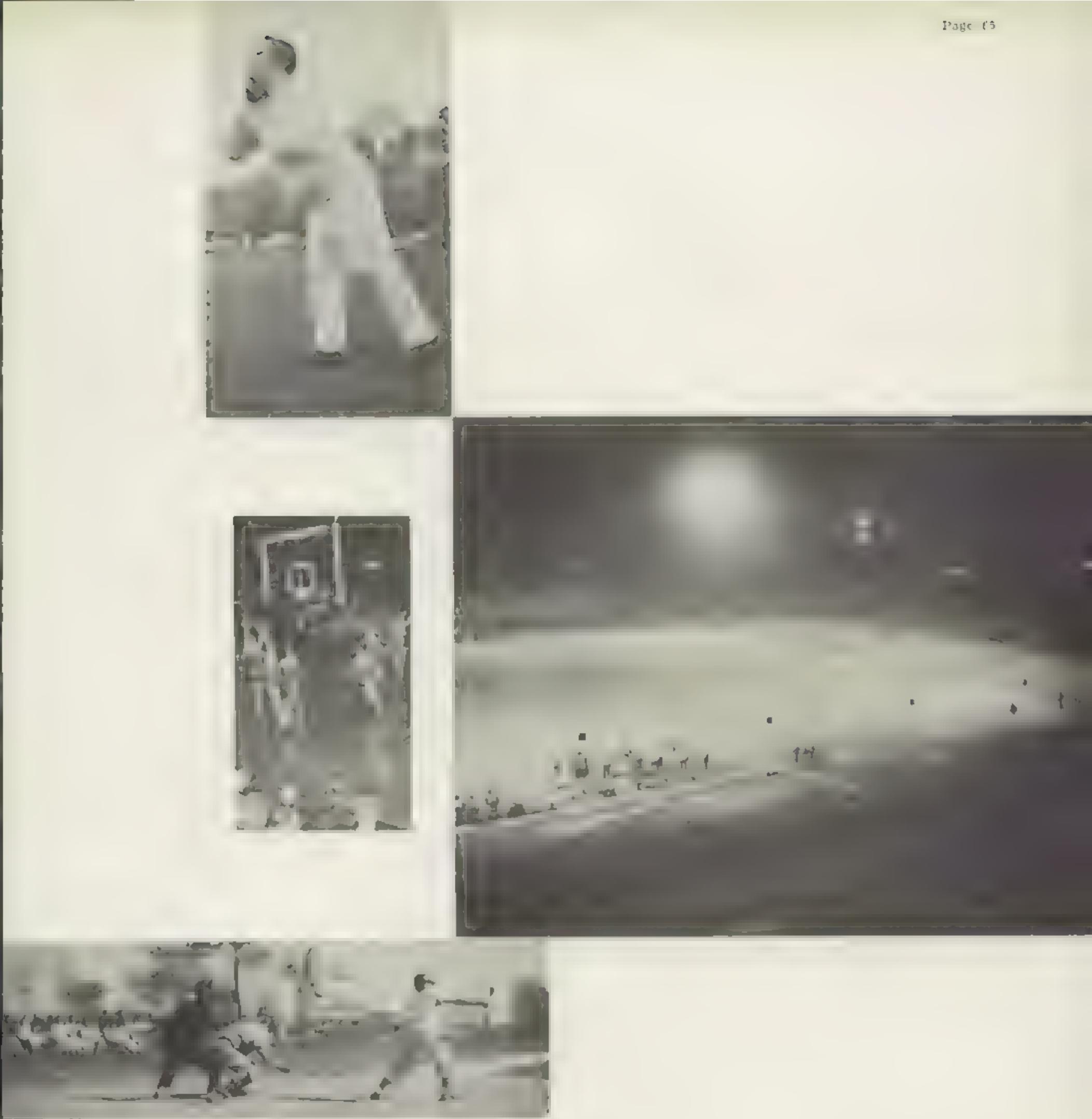
Gloria Mierzwa, Sharon Morey, JoAnn Poole, Elaine Osolinski, Pat Palmer, Kathy Stojkovich, June Spear, and Joan Sackett. Row 2—Sharon Woolsey, Margaret Lueck, Pat Miskosky, Carol Williams, Darlene Miller, Kathryn Mirzalli, Eberta Kotulski, Betty Takacs, Madelyn Lee, Peggy Mauger, Betty Peto, Sandra Kessler, Ruth Kessler, Judy Lutes, and Joan Thomas. Row 3—Nancy Wiggins, Muriene Rosek, Sue Sharkey, Patty Watl, Georjean Pumrea, Barbara Seydel, Linda Klein, Sandy Miksch, Judy Lambert, Lois Wells, and Alice Petyo. Row 4—Gerry Lomich, Judy Watson, Kathy Sheaks, Donna Szafarzyk, Pat Van Gorp, Nancy Stephenson, Martha Scholler, Ann Pecelin, Ann Parson, Marie Pecelin, Carol Pup, and Tona Royer. Beverly Boesch, Pat Palmer, Barbara McLean, Greta Simpson, Bonnie Sharkey, and JoAnn Poole were state award winners, and Greta Simpson received the senior honor award.

For membership in M-Club boys needed a letter in a major sport. Sponsored by Maurey Zlotnik and Bob Fraser, the club held a dance in the Civic Center following an MHS basketball game, hung pictures of the most valuable players in each sport on the wall of the second-floor corridor, and sponsored the faculty-upper-class homeroom champion basketball game, details on which are on page 80.

Details on the Girls' Athletic Association chapter, sponsored by Miss Evelyn Schurr, are on page 79.

THE M-CLUB was made up of boys having at least one letter in a major MHS sport. Members are shown here with co-sponsor Bob Fraser: Row 1—Don Ritchey, Bruce White, Dick Hmielewski, Jack Mandernack, Ken Ventrella, Clem Wiechecki, Barry Quigg, and Ron Balta. Row 2—Dennis Listenberger, Leroy Robinson, Richard Hopek, Dan George, and Art Fisher. Row 3—Tony DeRosa; Ben Bethel; John Fekete; Jim Harrison; (space); Bill Magan, president; Wayne Gaither, vice president; Tom White treasurer, and Don Wilson, secretary. Row 4—John Rosek, Walter Dittrich, Dave Vahovich, John Zgunda, George Conger, and Dave Gasvoda. Row 5—Dale Branson, Karl Lohse, Don Stryzinski, (space), Jim Louis, Don Svenningsen, Ed Chick, and Ed Kliza.





Anyone who wishes
may participate in
a sport at Morton...

Varsity Football

Gridders Humble Benton Harbor,

MORTON'S VARSITY

football team is shown with its managers, coaches, and principal: Row 1—Don Wilson, co-captain, Wayne Gathen, Ron Balta, Dan George, Jim Harrison, Jack Mandernack, Ken Ventrella, Walter Dittrich, Leroy Robinson, Ron Szynkowski, and Jack Cunningham and Dennis Orr, managers. Row 2—Nick Luketic, assistant coach, Jack Ward, Rich Hopek, Jim Louis, Don Svensingso, Dale Branson, John Zgunda, Ray White, Tom White, co-captain; Bill Shannon, manager, and Maury Zlotnik, coach. Row 3—A. W. Clark, principal, Ben Bethel, Karl Lohse, Dennis Listenberger, Don Ritchey, Bill Magan, George Conger, Dave Vahovich, Don Stryzinski, John Fekete, Ed Chick, and Robert Gollner, assistant coach.



Nineteen fifty-six was a good year for the superstitious but a poor one for the football fans at Morton. The Governor gridiron crew suffered its worst season in 4 years, losing 9 games while winning only 1.

For the believers in superstition the season boded evil from its very outset as the Governors dropped their opening contest to the Pioneers of Clark, 13 to 12. Their case gained strength after Morton's second game, a 19-to-13 loss to Tech. The number 13 made its third appearance in as many weeks at Thornton Fractional as the Meteors won a 13-to-0 decision.

The Governors' lone win, and about the only high point of the season, was at Benton Harbor, Mich., where the Governors partly avenged 2 previous defeats at the hands of Benton Harbor by downing the Tiger eleven, 19 to 7.

Morton's city grid crown returned to the team from which it had been won, the Hammond High Wildcats; the Wildcats dealt the Governors a 30-to-6 defeat.

The low point of the year occurred in the next-to-the-last contest, at

Brickie Bowl, Hobart. The highly-rated Brickies belted the Governors to the tune of 47 to 0 for one of the worst defeats in MHS history.

Junior Ben Bethel sparked the Morton offensive punch by scoring 62 of the team's 76 points. Bethel tallied 10 of Morton's 12 touchdowns. Bill Magan and Jack Ward waited until the final moment of the season to break into the scoring column. With but 17 seconds remaining in the final game at Whiting, Ward sprinted 85 yards with a kick-off, and Magan plunged over for the extra point, his only point of the year.

Morton was virtually buried point-wise by its opponents. The Governors tallied 76 points during the 10-game season while allowing their opponents 223 points for a difference of over 2 touchdowns a game. The Governor eleven was shut out 3 times, Thornton Fractional, Mishawaka, and Hobart each turning the trick.

The Governors played their best games against Benton Harbor and the Rough Riders of East Chicago Roosevelt. Morton held the tough

Rider crew to 2 touchdowns in its finest defensive display. The Governors, however, faced what was easily classed as the state's toughest schedule, they played 4 of the state's top 10 as well as 1955's champ.

VARSITY FOOTBALL GAMES

Morton's Score	Opponent	Opponent's Score
12	Hammond Clark	13
13	Hammond Tech	19
0	Thornton Fractional	13
19	Benton Harbor, Mich.	13
7	Hammond Bishop Noll	19
6	E. C. Roosevelt	13
0	Mishawaka	32
6	Hammond High	30
0	Hobart	47
13	Whiting	24
76		223

VARSITY FOOTBALL INDIVIDUAL SCORING

Player	TD's	PAT's	Points
Ben Bethel	10	2	62
Ken Ventrella	1	0	6
Jack Ward	1	0	6
Bill Magan	0	1	1
Don Wilson	0	1	1
	12	4	76

Gain Experience, Look to 1957

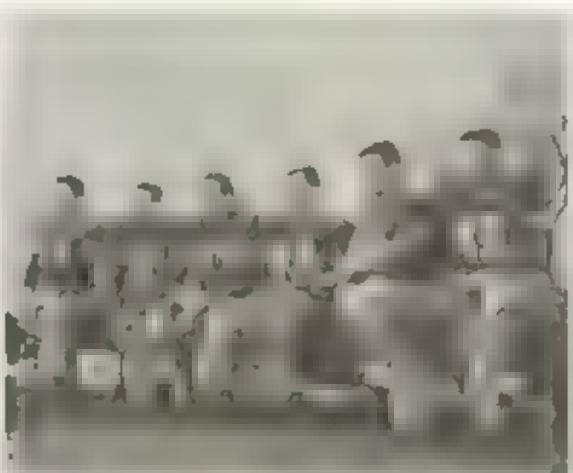
SOPHOMORE RAY
White eyes blocker Sam Greene in the Benton Harbor game. The Governor evaded Greene to make the stop as the Morton crew won its only game of the year



THE GOVERNOR defense piles up a Benton Harbor ball carrier. Mortonite Rich Hopek (39) spearheads the tackle. The game was held at Benton Harbor.

BEN BFTHEL holds that Tech Tiger!





BACKS PRACTICING passing in the top picture are Ken Ventrela, Ben Bethel and Jack Mandernack. Ends leaping for a pass in the second photo are Don Ruchey, John Zgunda, and George Conger. The Governors' answer to the 4 horsemen of Notre Dame are shown in the third picture Ron Balta, Jack Ward, Bill Magan, and Dan George. Governor linemen pictured in the bottom photo are Dale Branson, Ron Sznydrowski, Tom White, Walter Dittrich, Dan Stryzinski, and Dave Vahorvich. All of them are shown during a football practice session on the athletic field.

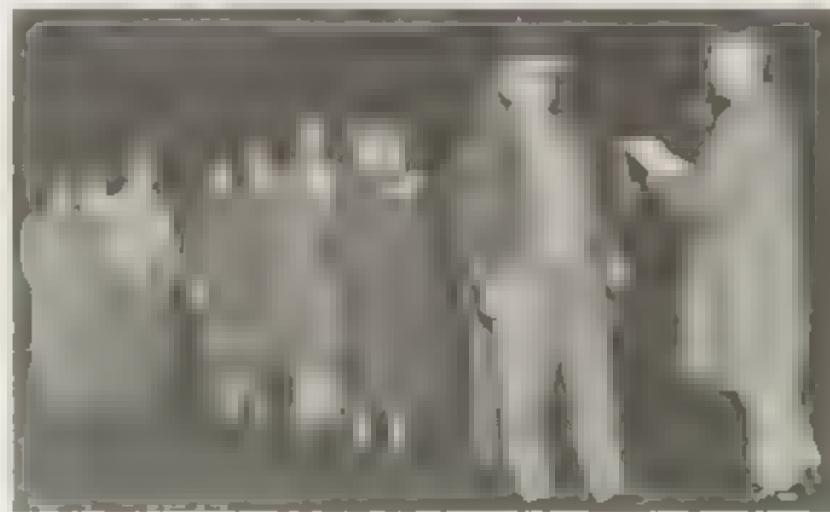


HAMMOND HIGH Wildcat defenders gang

Morton ball carrier Ken Ventrela

at Ed Chick (20) watches. Hammond High

won the game, 30 to 6



MORTON PRINCIPAL

A. W. Clark introduces the parents of Morton footballers at the Parents Night game



QUARTERBACK BEN

Bethel, aided by a fine block, sweeps past a would be tackler in the Ham mond Clark game

Reserve, Frosh Football

Jayvees Cop 4 of 5; Yearlings Split 8

Coach Jack Georgas' freshman football crew tied for the Hammond city freshman football championship, narrowly missing an undisputed crown. The Home-steader frosh crew of Hammond Clark defeated the Governors to tie for the title. The Governor eleven evenly divided 8 games, winning 4 and losing 4.

The plebes' victims were Whiting's Oilers, Hammond Irving's Panthers, Hammond Tech's Tigers, and the Wildcats of Hammond High.

The Morton junior varsity fared slightly better record-wise. The jayvee eleven, coached by Nick Luketic, won 4 contests but it suffered only 1 setback. Its lone defeat was administered by the Senators of East Chicago Washington.

The "B" team defeated the Bulldogs of Crown Point, the Settlers of Hammond Clark, the Tigers of Hammond Tech, and the Warriors of Hammond Bishop Noll.

The jayvees outscored their opponents by a rather lopsided margin, totaling 92 points while limiting their opposition to 26 markers and only 4 touchdowns. The frosh squad piled up 76 points, but its defense allowed the opposition 69 markers and 11 touchdowns.

FRESHMAN FOOTBALL GAMES

Morton's Score	Opponent	Opponent's Score
0	East Chicago Washington	0
1	Whiting	1
6	Hammond Noll	1
6	Hammond Irving	0
1	Hammond Clark	2
1	Hammond Tech	0
1	East Chicago Roosevelt	0
1	Hammond High	0

RESERVE FOOTBALL GAMES

Morton's Score	Opponent	Opponent's Score
4	Hammond Clark	0
1	Crown Point	0
2	East Chicago Washington	0
1	Hammond Tech	0
2	Hammond Noll	0

WAYNE LEE and Phil Kozubal demonstrate a blocking technique under the watchful eye of Jack Georgas, freshman football coach. Watching are the following. Row 1—Frank Suto, Dennis Kramer, Ed Sterling, Don Butler, Bob Lipug, and Jim Borsutz. Row 2—Dick Lerner, Jim Boland, Rich Florence, Don Arthur, Ken Salver, Frank Komar, Bill Henderson, manager Jack Cunningham, and Jerry Oller. Row 3—George Crum, Jim Gaydos, Bill Johnson, Joe Marshall, Bob Russell, and Paul Ammerman. The freshman crew finished in a tie for the city frosh championship with Hammond High.



THE 1956 Governor junior varsity football team, its manager, and its coach are shown in this photo. Row 1—Tony Razzini, Tony Koufos, Dan Weiss, Charles Paree, Fred Helly, Warren Huber, and Rich Canaday. Row 2—Dennis Orr, manager; Eugene Peto; Marcell Royer; Joe Ankstel, Paul Berta, Rod Challman; Rudy Smith, and (without uniforms) Tim Volkman and Hershal Kohut. Row 3—Coach Nick Luketic, Ron Anderson, George Belden, Walter Phares, Jerry French, Bill Luchene, Clem Wiechecki, and Jim Andrews. The jayvees finished the season with an impressive 4-won and 1-lost record, defeating Hammond Clark, Tech, and Bishop Noll and Crown Point.



SPECTATORS LINE the sidelines to view the action during the Hammond Clark-Governor freshman contest on the athletic field.

Varsity Basketball

Cagers Defeat Whiting, Portage,

A disastrous 8-game losing streak at mid-season sent the Governor basketball crew down to its worst season record in history. The Morton aggregation collected only 5 victories while suffering 14 defeats.

A revenge-minded band of Pioneers from Hammond Clark inflicted the final loss, coming from behind to deal the Governors a 59-to-44 loss in the opening round of the East Chicago Sectional. A week prior to their sectional collision the Governors had rolled up their largest margin of the season against the same Pioneer crew, 81-53.

During the humpty-dumpty season the Governors suffered some of the worst defeats in school history. Crown Point, avenging many years of torment and ending the Governors' jinx against them, trounced the Morton crew, 81 to 50. The Blazers of Gary Edison, in the 2 teams' second meeting of the season, dealt the Governors a crushing 86-to-39 walloping in the Steel City.

Blond senior center Bill Magan was one of the few bright spots in the otherwise dismal season. Magan was the team's top scorer, as he scored 323 points in 19 games for an average at 17.0 points a game. Magan's biggest outburst came in the Clark game when he tallied 31 points. He was rewarded for his efforts by being selected as the team's most valuable player for the year.

Morton was extended into the first overtime contest in its history during the team's holiday visit to Indianapolis. The host Shortridge crew came from

behind to tie the score at 56-all in regulation time and managed to squeeze out a 58-to-57 verdict.

The Governors promptly found themselves involved in another extra-session tilt when they returned to the Calumet. In the Gary Edison Turney, the Pirates of Merrillville handed the Governors a heart-breaking 65-63 loss. Later in the season the same Buccaneer five edged Morton, 66 to 65. Jim Lowe of Merrillville was the villain on both occasions, as he sank the winning bucket in both contests.

The Morton offense totaled 1038 points during the season, for a point-per-game average of slightly more than 54.6 points. The Governor defense left something to be desired, however, as it permitted the opposing teams a total of 1199 points, an average of 63.1 points per game. Six times during the year the opposition reached or topped the 70-point figure, while the Governor quint reached that figure only once, against Hammond Clark.

The latter portion of the season found sophomores and juniors playing much of the time. From this, then, comes promises of better things to come, and, as Coach Bob Fraser will attest, the only way MHS can go from here is upwards.

VARSITY BASKETBALL GAMES

Morton's Score	Opponent	Opponent's Score
58	Benton Harbor, Mich.	46
51	Valparaiso	47
38	Hammond Tech	52
52	Crown Point	58
61	Gary Edison	54
57	Merrillville*	51
74	Hammond Noll	60
52	Gary Edison	50
53	Merrillville	50
51	Whiting	47
57	Portage	52
54	Indpls Shortridge*	56
51	Hammond Tech	57
51	Crown Point	58
51	Gary Edison	54
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Griffith, Hebron, Hammond Clark



BILL MACAN, second from left, Barber
of the City, looks on as the
members of the

Ex-Troops Women's
Auxiliary, Washington
D. C., present a
Wreath.



MORTON S. GEORGE, center, and his
wife, Mrs. Morton S. George, at Clark Cup
Dinner.



MORTON S. GEORGE, center,
Bill Macan, at the
end of the row in the
background, Washington
D. C., as the General of the
Hammond Clark in the
first year of the last
Century. Next row



BEN BETHEL tosses a pass over the top as Hammond High defender Jim Lamott tries to block the shot.

MAGAN gets a tip-in over the Govs' Lew Day (11) as the Hammond crew belted the Governors.

TICKS KEN Yager hauls down a rebound for the Tech. Despite the efforts of Mortonsman John Ross (12) and Chuck (14) screen out Tech, center Tom

Urbanczyk as Lew Day (11) of Tech views the action, which took place at the Civic Center.

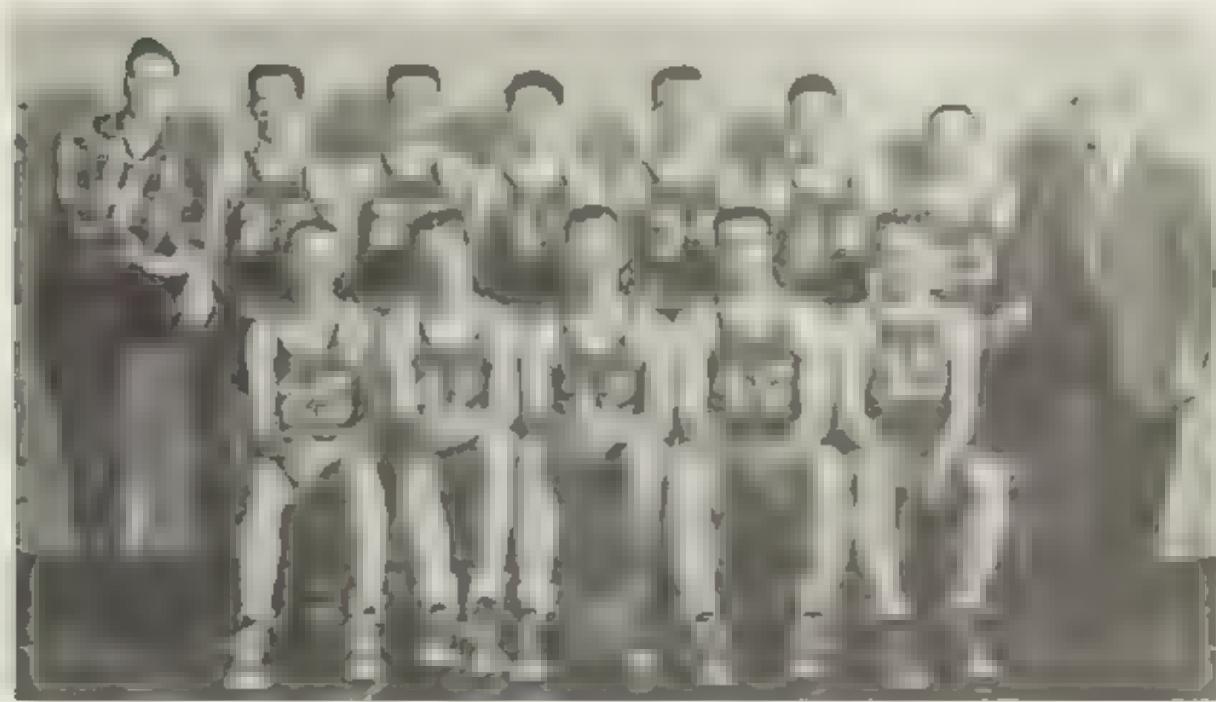


MORTON'S BILL Magan gains the tip in a center jump opening the Chesterton game at the Hammond Civic Center.



MAGAN TOSSES in a lay up shot over Hammond High center Jim Lamott. His team was avail however for the Hammond High crew belted the Governors.

Reserve, Frosh Basketball

"B" Players Win 3; Plebes in 10 Triumphs

THE RESERVE basketball crew, manager, and coach. Row 1—Dennis Churilla, Wayne Lee, Ron Anderson, Ray White, and Jim Williams. Row 2—Bill Shannon, manager, Paul Berta, Clem Wieck, Barry Quirk, Duane George, Rod Challman, Bill Fredel, and Jack Georgas.

Coach Jack Georgas' junior varsity basketball aggregation downed the Tigers of Hamond Tech twice and belted Griffith, 37 to 20, for its only triumphs of the 1956-57 season. The "B" crew suffered a total of 11 defeats.

The frosh basketball quint claimed 3 of its last 4 starts of the year for an excellent 10-won and 8-lost mark. The Governor plebes strung out their longest streak of the season, 5 games, near mid-season.

The junior varsity was eliminated in the second round of the city jayvee tourney by Hamond High, after a round-1 triumph over Hamond Tech.

RESERVE		FRESHMAN	
BASKETBALL GAMES		BASKETBALL GAMES	
Morton's Score	Opponent's Score	Morton's Score	Opponent's Score
22	Hammond High 35	27	Hammond High 4
22	Whiting 40	26	Hammond Noll 4
21	Hammond Noll 52	30	Hammond Irving 4
20	Portage 40	43	E. C. Roosevelt 2
20	Hammond Tech 20	23	Whiting 1
23	Hammond High 35	35	Hammond Tech 2
23	Hammond Tech 23	41	Hammond Tech 2
23	Crown Point 28	33	Hammond Clark 1
23	Gary Edison 39	33	Hammond Clark 3
23	Merrillville 42	27	Crown Point 21
37	Griffith 20	28	Hammond High 14
21	Hebron 39	38	Hammond Tech 12
12	Hobart 33	19	Hammond High 4
21	E. C. Roosevelt 35	25	Gary Mann 13
		42	Hammond Irving 22
409		36	Hammond Noll 35
		27	E. C. Roosevelt 27
		44	Munster 33
		543	



RAY WHITE scraps for a rebound against Hobart during a jayvee contest in the MHS gym. Hobart squeaked out a 1-point victory.



THE FRESHMAN basketball crew and its manager and coach pose for the photographer: Row 1—Don Butler, Rich Florence, Jim Gravos, Joe Marshall, Paul Ammerman, and Frank Suto. Row 2—Dennis Orr, manager; Jim Skerrich; Karlos Patterson; Leroy Smolen; Bob Russell; George Crum; Ed Sterling; Paul Patterson, and Howard Stout.

During the course of the season the freshman crew tallied 566 points and allowed their opponents 545 markers.



BASEBALL COACH Jack Georgas displays his slugging prowess to an amused baseball crew and its managers. Intently watching are: Row 1—manager Dan Weiss, Ken Ventrella, Don Jeneske, Bill Fredel, Bob Iorio, Rudy Smith, and Dennis Orr, manager. Row 2—Ed Chick, Paul Berta, Clem Wiechecki, Barry Quigg, Don MacCartney, and Jerry Bell. Row 3—John Fekete, Ron Daun, Don Majewski, Jerry Oller, Jim Bobowski, and Bill Shannon, manager.

Baseball

First Morton Diamondmen Finish

The first Morton Governor baseball team suffered a weird final game loss but finished the season with a creditable 6-7 mark. The diamond crew racked up 5 straight wins after losing its first 2 games, but a late-season tailspin dipped its record below the .500 mark.

In their final game against the Oilers of Whiting the Governors, trailing 6 to 3, rallied to tie the host Whiting crew only to have the tying tallies erased by a 6 o'clock curfew.

The Governors moved off to a slow start, but they picked up steam after a 3-2 loss to Hammond Tech, winning 5 in a row before Hammond High snapped the streak. Thornton Fractional, Calumet Township, Gary Mann, Hobart, and Hammond Bishop Noll's Warriors were the victims.

Junior Ed Chick paced the Governor offense, belting the ball at a .364 clip. Chick also led the team in runs batted in with 9. He was rewarded for his efforts by being elected honorary captain for the season. Ken Ventrella was a close second in the batting race, as he hit .345.

In the pitching department, senior Jim Bobowski, who was the Governor diamond crew's most valuable player, was the leader of the staff. He led the Morton mound corps with a fantastic earned-run average of 1.66. He topped the staff with 55 strike outs, yet was tagged with the losses in 7 of Morton's defeats. Sophomore Clem Wiechecki recorded 3 triumphs in as many starts for the Governor nine.

The first Morton baseball team scored a total of 57 points in its 12 games, compared to 51 for its opponents.

Morton's Score	BASEBALL GAMES		Opponent's Score
	Opponent	Opponent	
3	Hammond High	—	4
2	Hammond Tech	—	3
5	on Fractional	—	5
9	Calumet Township	—	2
9	Gary Mann	—	1
9	Hobart	—	7
7	Hammond Noll	—	1
7	Hammond High	—	8
4	Crown Point	—	5
3	Hobart	—	5
6	Gary Wirt	—	1
3	Hammond Clark	—	3
3	Whiting	—	0
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BASEBALL TEAM STATISTICS

BATSMEN WITH 25 OR MORE AT BATS

Player	Batting							Fielding			
	G	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	BA	PO	E	A
Chick	13	33	10	12	9	1	1	.364	74	4	4
Ventrella	13	29	7	10	8	2	0	.343	14	1	0
Jeneske	13	30	6	11	3	1	0	.289	9	0	14
Quigg	12	20	5	8	7	2	0	.287	8	2	11
Berta	13	29	6	10	8	1	1	.256	15	7	15
Bell	12	28	7	7	5	0	0	.250	8	4	0
Smith	12	26	5	6	7	1	0	.232	91	4	3
Daun	12	29	5	6	3	0	0	.207	8	1	1

BATSMEN WITH LESS THAN 25 AT BATS

Player	G	AB	R	H	RBI	BA	Player	G	AB	R	H	RBI	BA
MacCartney	4	6	1	2*	0	.333	Fekete	3	3	1	0	0	.000
Yanek	2	3	0	1	0	.333	Majewski	3	20	0	0	0	.000
Iorio	7	15	2	4*	3	.267	Hmielewski	3	4	0	0	0	.000
Bobowski	12	19	2	3	1	.158	Dedelow	2	1	0	0	0	.000
Wiechecki	7	7	4	0	1	.000	*Includes 1 double						

TEAM TOTALS

G	AB	R	H	RBI	2B	3B	HR	BA	PO	E	A
13	312	66	80	49	10	2	0	.256	357	35	16

PITCHERS

Player	G	IP	W	L	Pct	R	ER	SO	BB	ERA
Bobowski	2	1	2	1	.500	2	14	2	1	.60
Wiechecki	3	4	1	0	.250	6	6	6	0	.75
Hmielewski	1	6	1	0	.250	7	7	7	0	.70
Quigg	1	1	0	1	.000	4	4	4	0	.75



IN PHOTO at left a group of Morton baseball fans warm up to a cuddly friend at a game. "To each his own" seems to fit the picture below as each fan appears to be expressing a different reaction at a game in Hessville Park.



Season with Admirable 6-7 Mark

KEN VENTRELLA makes 1 of his 10 hits of the year in a home tilt at Hessville Park



CLARK'S NICK Kutzsky prepares to lay down a sacrifice bunt in a Morton game at Hessville Park. The catcher is Rudy Smith.



DON JENESKE runs out 1 of the Governors' 14 singles in their triumph over Hammond Bishop Noll.



THE GOVERNORS collect another hit as Ed Chick beats out an infield tap against the Hobart Brickies in Hessville Park. The Governors won, 9 to 7.

Varsity, Fresh-Soph Track

Cindermen Represented at State Finals

The Governor varsity track squad gained representation at the State Finals in Indianapolis for the second year in a row despite a rather mediocre season record in 1957.

Junior half-miler Don Svenningsen was the Governors' delegate to the finale. He finished third in the Mishawaka Regional Meet to earn a trip to the Indianapolis finals. Senior shot-putter Bill Magan missed a trip downstate by less than an inch in his specialty, as he finished fourth at Mishawaka.

The Governors won 2 of their 5 dual meets, defeating Hammond Clark's Pioneers and the Rough Riders of East Chicago Roosevelt. They finished second in the Annual Hobart Relays, behind the host Brickie crew. Morton was also second in the Bishop Noll Triangular Meet, competing against the Warriors and Calumet Township, who won the meet.

The cinder crew was handicapped by the loss of senior miler Don Wilson and 440-man Wayne Gaither due to football injuries. Gaither did run in a few meets, however, after recovering from surgery during the holidays.

Svenningsen was selected as the most valuable player for the year by his teammates. A total of 12 letters were issued, but only 4 to seniors. As a result, Coach Howard Stout will have a strong nucleus for the coming season.

VARSITY TRACK MEETS

Meet	Morton's Place	Morton's Points
Hammond Tech Dual	lost	43
City Indoor	3rd	27 1 2
Hobart Dual	lost	48 3/4
Hammond Clark Dual	won	56
Hammond Relays	5th	15
Hammond Bishop Noll Triangular	2nd	32 7 12
Cty Outdoor	3rd	29 3 4
Hobart Relays	2nd	49
Sectional	3rd	20
Crown Point Dual	lost	50
Regional	—	2
E C Roosevelt Dual	won	55
State Finals	—	—

1. Tony DeRosa, Bill Magan, Wayne Gaither
 2. Rosek, Don Svenningsen, Dan George, Don Ritchie
 3. Bethel, Kitz, Moller, Dennis Lister
 4. 3rd Relay Team

MEMBERS OF the 1957 track teams are shown with Coaches Nick Luketic and Howard Stout before a practice session on the athletic field. They are as follows: Row 1—Tony DeRosa, Bruce White, Don Butler, Ed Kitz, Frank Suto, Martell Royer, Randy Tomsic, Art Fisher, Ed Krupa, Jim Williams, Leroy Robinson, and Tony Anderson. Row 2—Manager Dave Byrne, Tony Koufos, Tony Razzini, Sam Flitar, Rich Florence, Lee Hickman, Hershal Kobut, Leroy Schmoekel, Jim Skertich, George Bradburn, Lloyd Klamut, Dan George, Wayne Gaither, and Don Svenningsen. Row 3—Bill Magan, Ben Bethel, Leroy Smolen, Jim Gaydos, Gregory Brockman, Paul Ammerman, Don Ritchey, John Rosek, and Jack Cunningham, manager. The varsity track crew won 2 of its 5 dual meets and placed second in the Hobart Relays and the Hammond Bishop Noll Triangular.



DON SVENNINGSSEN,
 Morton's half-miler and
 representative at the State
 Finals, is pictured during
 a workout at school. The
 Governors' mile relay crew,
 pictured below, consisted
 of Wayne Gaither, Randy
 Tomsic, Tony DeRosa, and
 Martell Royer.



Cross Country

Hill - and - Dalers Take Hammond Sectional

THE CROSS-COUNTRY runners assembled at the right include: Row 1—Jim Reynolds, Terry Plesik, Jim Skertich, Bob Iorio, Terry Gaughan, Karlos Patterson, Jerry Bell, and John Ferris. Row 2—Pete LaSalle, Steve Kotul, Don Mezcer, Terry Kelleher, Sam Flitar, Phil Shanta, Lee Hickman, Paul Patterson, and Leroy Smolen. Row 3—Don Majewski, George Bradburn, Jerry Burr, Gary Cantlon, Ned Berbeco, Jim Dedelow, Don Jeneske, Dennis Chatilla, Ron Wiggins, and Pat Sheldadine



OTHER HILL-AND-DALERS, with Coach Howard Stout, are: Row 1—Randy Tomsic and Duane George. Row 2—John Rosek, Art Fisher, Barry Quigg, and Ed Kliza. Row 3—Lloyd Klamut, Ed Krupa, and Leroy Schmoeckel.



The 1956 edition of the Governor cross-country crew, although winning only 2 of its 5 dual meets, marched away with top honors in the Hammond Sectional Meet, beating off a total of 12 challengers by scoring a total of 66 points. At Indianapolis, in the State Finals, the Morton aggregation posted 554 points to finish in the twenty-second position.

Coach Howard Stout's crew held dual-meet verdicts over the Meteors of Thornton Fractional and Crown Point's Bulldogs, but it lost decisions to all three of the Hammond Public School teams—Clark's Pioneers, Tech's Tigers, and Hammond High's Wildcats.

The Morton frosh-soph squad, however, breezed through an undefeated season, downing Hammond Clark's Pioneers, Thornton Fractional's Meteors, the Wildcats of Hammond High, and Crown Point's Bulldogs in dual-meet competition. The frosh-soph squad also claimed first places in the Tri-City Meet, held at East Chicago Roosevelt Field, and the Hammond City Meet, held at Hammond High Field.

The Governors awarded a total of 7 varsity letters for the 1956 season. The letterwinners were as follows: John Rosek, who captained the varsity; juniors Barry Quigg and Bruce White, and sophomores Ed Kliza, Randy Tomsic, Duane George, and Art Fisher.

In cross-country competition, the final positions of the first 5 members of a team are added together, and the total number of points represents the team's score. Unlike teams in most other high school sports, in cross-country the team which scores the least number of points is the winner of the meet.

Girls' Phys-Ed, Intramural Athletics

Girls Bowl; Play Basketball, Volleyball



LEFT: THAT girl is totes. See the what New England All Stars is doing in the photo at left. In

the photo at right, Miss Janice Schurr and Miss Melinda Palmer of the Albert's All Stars' cheering section.

The GAA chapter was in charge of all girls' intramural sports at Morton. It sponsored the girls' homeroom basketball tournament, which was won by 12A1 Anna's Angels, who beat the 12A2 Kelly Kats in a sizzling climax to the tourney. And it chose a girls' all-star team from the junior and senior homerooms to play the Albert's All Stars women's faculty team. The teachers outscored the GAA Queens, 32 to 31.

In addition, the GAA chapter had a varied program for its own members, consisting of one business meeting every two weeks and sports such as speedball, basketball, volleyball, softball, bowling, ping-pong, badminton, shuffleboard, deck tennis, and regular tennis. One service performed for the school was the donation of a jukebox to the MHS Association.

Girls' phys-ed was a thorough course which taught skills in individual and team sports, knowledge of games, and, perhaps most important, good sportsmanship and honesty.

TEACHERS AND student leaders of girls' phys-ed classes are pictured here. On the trampoline is Janice Schurr. Watching are Mrs. Doris Johnson, Pat Palmer, Beverly Boesch, Miss Evelyn Schurr, Greta Simpson, Lea Evans, Linda Hart, and Carole Eichelberger.



THE TRAMPOLINE is always a favorite spot during the tumbling course in the girls' phys-ed classes.





RICH FLEMING ties up faculty star Frank Palko in the faculty-Kelly Kat tilt as Dave Herring and Bob Gaydos look on



RALPH KELLY floats a long one-hander for the Faculty Al-Stats as Dave Garvoda of the Kelly Kats, upperclass homeroom champions, drifts in for a possible rebound. Mr. Kelly sunk the basket and the Stars breezed to a 45-29 triumph to cap off the intramural basketball season at Morton

Boys' Phys-Ed, Intramural Athletics

Gym, Recreation, Homeroom Tourney . . .

It is not necessary for a boy to participate in interschool athletics at Morton High School to be able to take part in supervised athletic activities.

Morton, in co-operation with the city Park Department, provides an evening recreation program for all high school boys during the winter basketball season.

Also, all boys who are physically fit are required to take a full year of physical education. The phys-ed classes engage in a variety of activities ranging from tumbling on

mats to basketball and outdoor softball games.

The highlight of the recreational year is the homeroom basketball tournament. The tourney this year was divided into two divisions. One division was for sophomore and freshman homeroom teams, the other was for junior and senior homeroom teams.

This year's upperclass homeroom tourney was won by the 12A2 Kelly Kats of Mrs. Norma Kelly's homeroom.



VOLLEYBALL is one of the games played in Morton's physical-education classes.

STUDENT TEACHER Ed Wietecha is supervising push-ups, part of the calisthenics program in a phys-ed class.



Morton students are
some of the friendliest
you'd wish to meet . . .



OFFICERS OF the class of 1957 were Don Votors, vice-president, Ted Tarr, president, and Janet Jeppeson, secretary-treasurer

Class of 1957

Seniors Sponsor Homecoming, Semi-Formal, "Arsenic" . . .

GALE BRADFORD, Pat Garson, Carlos Vargas, Sue Losh in
Peggy Mauger made up the Executive Board of the 1957 senior
class

Individual members of the class of 1957 did many things of which the class could be proud—from breaking athletic records to setting school records. And the class as a whole will remember these achievements for a long time. But more treasured in the memories of this year's seniors will be the things they did as a class.

Who could forget the senior-sponsored Homecoming celebration, with the bonfire pep rally, the crowning of the queen, and the dance in the gym where students and alumni gathered? Who could forget "Crystal Cotillion," the winter semi-formal, also sponsored by the seniors? Who could forget the shivers, chills, and chuckles of "Arsenic and Old Lace," the senior play? And who could forget the prom, given by the juniors in honor of the seniors?

Then there were the Senior-Faculty Banquet, Senior Week—ending with the Class Day assembly, where the devastating senior prophecy and the hilarious senior will entertained the student body—and finally the inspirational Baccalaureate services and Commencement exercises, climaxed with the awarding of diplomas to 184 class members.

Miss Virginia Davis and Ralph Kelly were the senior sponsors this year. As their class gift to the school, the seniors gave a rheostat for the stage and a number of books for the library.



GETTING MEASURED for his senior cords by Bob Shy of Russell's Men's Wear Store in Hessville is Vice-President Don Votors

RAMONA DIANE ADAMS—Booster Club 1, 2; GAA 1, 3, 4, Y-Teens 2, 5-8, pres 7, 8; 1st Science Fair 4 lab assis. 5, 6; monitors 7, 8; Theater Guild 7, 8; clinic helpers 8

FRANK JOSEPH ALEXANDER

ALEX SEFTON ANDERSON—Hi-Y 1-6, Science Club 2; Biology Club 3, *Mortonite* 5-7, ad manager 6, 7; Games Club 8

ANDREW MICHAEL ANTON—Travel Club 5

FRANK GERALD ARCELLA—football 1, 3, fresh class tres., Student Court jr judge, Phy Chem Club 5-8; NHS 6-8, vice-pres sec. of justice 7, 8

EDWIN JEROME BABITZ—Cinema Club 1, 2; Hi-Y 3, Biology Club 4; monitors 5-8, Phy-Chem Club 5-8, 1st Science Fair 8; senior play

DOROTHY JEAN BALKA—library helpers 1-8, Theater Guild 1-8, monitors 4; Jr Theater Guild 5-8, sec.-tres. 8, Stage Crew 5-8

RONALD WAYNE BALTA—basketball 1-8, football 1, 3, 5, 7; track 2, 4, 8, M-Club 3-8.

KATHLEEN MARIE BARNO—Booster Club 1, 2; GAA 1-4, 6-8, girls' patrol 1, 4, JRC monitors 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, Phy-Chem Club 5, TOP HAT salesmen 3-8, FNA 5, 7; girls ensemble 7; choir 8; Girls' Club 8



CAROL JANE BARR—Booster Club 1-4, Y-Teens 2-4, Girls' Club 5, 6; Phy-Chem Club 7, 8

DONALD EDWARD BATSEL—Cinema Club 1-6, cross country 1, 2, monitors 1, 2, 8; Biology Club 3, 4; Games Club 7; Historical Society 7

SHEILA ANN BECK—GAA 1-5, JRC 1, 5, sec. 2, Y-Teens 1, Booster Club 2, 3, 7, Student Council 2, TOP HAT salesmen 5, Phy-Chem Club 6; Student Court recorder 6, 7; Theater Guild 6, 7; debate team 7; *Mortonite* exchange ed. 7, Purdue Legislative Assembly 7

LARRY LEO BEDENE—monitors 1-7, Booster Club 5, 6, Historical Society 7

JARED MILTON BELL—Cinema Club 1, 2, cross country 1, 3, 5, 7; basketball 3-8, Historical Society 3, 5-8, *Mortonite* 5, 6

PHYLLIS JUNE BENCE—GAA 1-8, girls patrol; 1, JRC 1-4; Art Club 2, monitors 3-6; FNA 5, 6; Y-Teens 7, 8



EDWARD BROMELS—Hi-Y 1, Phy-Chem Club 1, 2, 4-8, Cinema Club 2, 3, 5, Biology Club pres. 3, NHS 5-8; House 6, 7, lab assts 6, 7

CAROL ANN BROWN—Art Club 1-8, pres 2, 3, 8, sec. 3, 6, 7; Y-Teens 3, 4; library helpers 5, 6; Booster Club 7, 8

KATHERINE LEE BRUMFIELD—GAA 1-4 Art Club 3, 4, Girls' Club 5, 6, Y-Teens 5, 6

LEONARD ANTHONY BRZOZKIEWICZ—Booster Club 3; Travel Club 5, 6, monitors 6, 7; Art Club 7

PAT BUTLER—GAA 2-4; Booster Club 4 5; Y-Teens sec. 6-8, Historical Society 7, 8

WILLIAM EDWARD BUVALA—Spanish Club 1-4, monitors 3, 4, Games Club 7, 8

SUZANNE BERKHTISER—band 1-8, GAA 1, 2; Y-Teens 1, 2, Forensics Club 3, 4, Spanish Club 3, 4; Historical Society 5, 6, House 5, 6, orchestra 5 monitors 6, Booster Club 7, 8, Phy-Chem Club 7, 8

JAMES EDWARD BOBOWSKI—football 1, 3, monitors 1-8, TOP HAT salesmen 6-8, baseball 8

BEVERLY FAY BOESCH—Booster Club 1-4, GAA 1-8, vice-pres. 5, 6, pres. 7, 8, state award 8; Girls' Council 1-8, gym assts. 2, Senate 5-8, NHS 6-8, choir 7, 8, Mortonite 7, 8

GALE MARGARET BRADFORD—Booster Club 1-3, GAA 1-4; Literary Club 1, 2; monitors 1-4, 7; 1st Science Fair 3, gym assts 3, 4 Cinema Club 4 Forensics Club 5 House 5, office helpers 5, 6, Phy-Chem Club 5-8, sec 5, 6, 8, Purdue Legislative Assembly 6, Senate 6, Homecoming court 7, sec. of social affairs 7, 8, Sr Exec. Board 7, 8

SARA CATHERINE BRADLEY—FTA 1, G-AA 2; Biology Club 3-6, pres. 3, 4, vice-pres. 5, 6, lab assts 5, 6, 8, Girls' State 6 NHS 6-8, sec. 7, 8, Phy-Chem Club 7, 8 Senate 7, 8; monitors 8

DALE EDWARD BRANSON—football 1, 3, 5, 7; basketball 1-4, track 2, M-Club 6-8, Student Court bailiff 7

SHARON LEE BRANT—Student Council 1, 2, FTA 3-8, Mortonite 5; NHS 5-8; lab assts. 6, 7

JOHN BREGER

DONALD RAY BRIMMER—football 1, 3, 5, athletic managers 5, 6; monitors 7



JOE LLE BYERS

BARBARA ELLEN CHALMERS—Art Club 3, monitors 3, 4, Y-Teens 5, Girls' Club 8

RUTH KAY CHRISTENSEN—Y-Teens 1, 2, GAA 3, 4, monitors 4; Jr. Theater Guild 1-2, pres. 8; Stage Crew 5-8; Theater Guild 1-2, clinic helpers 6; lab assts. 7; office helpers 8

DAN HUBERT CLARK—Phy-Chem Club 1; Biology Club 2, Cinema Club 3-8

LORNA DIANE CLARK—band 1-8, orchestra 1-8; Y-Teens 1, 2; Girls' Club 5, 6; Historical Society 6; FNA 7, 8; Phy-Chem Club 8

JAY HAROLD CLINE—Hammond Tech Cinema Club 1; Morton, Cinema Club 2, Biology Club 3, 4; Historical Society 5; Games Club 6

GEORGE LEFFIE COMPANIOTT—Theater Guild 1; Student Council 2, 3; cross country 5; Jr. Theater Guild 7; Historical Society 7, Booster Club 8, choir 8

GEORGE DEAN CONGER—football 1, 5, 7, basketball 1-8, monitors 4-6, 8, Games Club 7; Historical Society 7, 8; M-Club 8, senior play 8

JANE ELLEN CRUM—band 1-3; JRC 1-4, Theater Guild 1-4, Girls' Club 3, 8, Biology Club 4; Booster Club 5, 6; FTA 5-8; office helpers 5, 6, Y-Teens 5-7; TOP HAT salesmen 8



PATRICIA ANN CZARNECKI—GAA 1-8, FNA 2-7

BETTY JEAN CZECH—band 1-8, drum majorettes 4-8, 1st twirling contest 7; GAA 1, JRC 1, 2; Theater Guild 1; FNA 3-8, Historical Society 5, monitors 7; Phy-Chem Club 8

KAREN JAYNE DANIEL—band 1-5, 1st solo contest 3; Booster Club 1; GAA 1-3, library helpers 3-6, pres. 3, 4; Biology Club and 1st Science Fair 4; FNA 5, 6; NHS 7, 8, House 7, 8, Sr. Exec. Board

RONALD LIVINGSTON DAUN—Hammond High, football 1, basketball 2, 3, Morton a-v workers 5, Historical Society 5, Mortonite 5-8, FTA 7, 8, NHS 7, 8, baseball 8

JAMES ROBERT DEDELOW—basketball 1-6, cross country 1, 3, 5, 7; Hi-Y 5-8, Phy-Chem Club 7; baseball 8

TONY DeROSA—basketball 1-4; football 1, 5; frosh class pres.; track 2, 4, 6, 8; Hi-Y 3, 4, Student Council 3; Forensics Club 5; jr. class vice-pres.; M-Club 5, 6, Phy-Chem Club 5; Assn. pres. 7, 8



BEVERLY DETVAY—Booster Club 1-4, GAA 1-7, tres. 6, 7; monitors 1-7; FNA 3, 5-8, pres. 6, 7; office helpers 8; Travel Club 8

WALTER G. DITTRICH—football 1, 3, 5, 7; Historical Society 6-8, Games Club 7, M-Club 7, 8

DONNA LEE DRANGMFISTER—Art Club 1; Y-Teens 1, 2, library helpers 2-4, Girls' Club 5, 8; JRC 5, 6; monitors 8.

NORMA JOSETTE EDWARDS—Art Club 1-8, Theater Guild 1-4, Cinema Club 3, 4, TOP HAT salesmen 5, monitors 6-8; JRC 8

LEA MARIE EVANS—Art Club 1; GAA 1, 2, Y-Teens 2, FNA 5, 6; Historical Society 5; Spanish Club 6; gym assts. 7, 8, House 7, 8, NHS 7, 8, Phy Chem Club 8

BETTY FELDT—band 1-8, 1st solo contest 5, GAA 1-4, JRC 1, 2, library helpers 3, 5, 6, Historical Society 5, House 5, 6; orchestra 6 8, Spanish Club 6, Assn. recorder 7, 8, DAR award 7, FTA 7, 8, TOP HAT copy 6, Phy-Chem Club 8; senior play 8

JOHN FERRIS—Art Club 1, 2, 4, Historical Society 3, TOP HAT salesmen 5-7; Spanish Club 7, track 7, Phy-Chem Club 8, Mortonia ad salesmen 8

LAURA ELLEN FIELDS—Booster Club 6-8, Girls' Club 6

PATRICIA LEE FITZGERALD—band 1-8, 1st solo contest 1, FTA 1-8, tres. 7, 8, orchestra 1-8; Booster Club 3; Student Council 3; Theater Guild 3, FNA 5-8, sec. 7, 8, monitors 5-8, NHS 5-8, TOP HAT assoc. ed 7, 8

LYNNE FITZWATER—band 1-8, 1st solo contest 5; Booster Club 1-4; GAA 1-4 Girls' Council 1, 2; monitors 1, 6, Cinema Club 3; FNA 5-8, vice-pres. 7, 8, Phy-Chem Club 3, 8, Theater Guild 3, 8, tres. 7, 8, NHS 6-8, FTA 7, 8, Mortonia 7, Purdue Legislative Assembly 7

RICHARD LEROY FLEMING—Cinema Club 1-8, track 4, Phy-Chem Club 5-8, Student Court st. judge

BARBARA ANN GAIDOR—E. C. Washington Y-Teens 1, Girls' Choral Club 1, Mortonia; choir 2-6, Girls' Club 2; Historical Society 2-7; FNA 6-8

ALEXANDRA GARDNER—Booster Club 1-8; GAA 1-4; Student Council 3, 4; JRC 5, 6; NHS 5-8; Phy-Chem Club 5; Theater Guild 5-8; Historical Society 6, fall play; FNA 7, 8, FTA 7, Purdue Legislative Assembly 7, debate team 8, Forensics Club tres. 8, senior play 8

RALPH LEWIS GARDNER—Cinema Club 1-8, sec. 7; Spanish Club 1, 2; Biology Club 3, 4

YVONNE C. GARDNER—Booster Club 1-4, 7, 8, GAA 1-7, Girls' Club 8



PATRICIA ANN GARSON—band 1-8, Booster Club 1-8; GAA 1; FTA 2-8; Sr Exec Board

CARROL GARZA

DAVE GASVODA—basketball 1-7; football 1, 3; Historical Society 1-8, sec. 3, 6, vice-pres. 7, 8; Hi-Y 1-6, sec. 5, 6; M-Club 7, 8



ROBERT GAYDOS—Student Council 2, Historical Society 4; Phy-Chem Club 8

SALLY STAHL GLARMAN—Booster Club 1-4, TOP HAT salesmen 5-8, Art Club pres. 7

DANNY LEE GEORGE—band 1; Cinema Club 2; football 3, 5, 7; M-Club 4-8; track 1, 6, 8; Historical Society 7, 8, tres. 8; senior play 8.

JERRY GILLESPIE—Booster Club 1, 3, 7; JRC 1, 2; Biology Club 3, 4; Historical Society 5, 7, 8.

BERNARD EDWARD GOETZINGER—band 1-8

BARBARA LEE GOODSON—Historical Society 1, 2; monitors 1-4, TOP HAT salesman 1-6; Biology Club 3, 4; Booster Club 3, 4; JRC 7, 8



DAVID GOODWINE—Whiting, basketball 1-5, Booster Club 1-5; choir 1-5, football 1, fall play 5; Morton; choir 6, 8, Cinema Club 6; "Friars' Follies" 8

GERALD PAUL GORDON—a-v workers 1-8; Biology Club 1, Phy-Chem Club 2; Cinema Club 3-6.

PATSY ANN HALSEN—Art Club 1, 2, monitors 3, 4, 8; Girls' Club 8

GEORGE O. HAND—band 1-8, 1st solo contest 2, 8; orchestra 1, 2; Spanish Club 1; Biology Club 3, 4; Cinema Club 3-7, monitors 3, 4; Historical Society 5, 6; Hi-Y 6-8; Phy-Chem Club 7, 8

TERRY KENT HAYDEN—band 1; Cinema Club 1; football 1; Biology Club 4; monitors 5, 6; Phy-Chem Club 8

ROBERT LEROY HENRY



GLORIA JEAN KALENA—Booster Club 1-8, GAA 3, 4; Girls' Club 3, 4; Historical Society 5-8

CAROL JEAN KANTOR—Booster Club 1, 5-8, GAA 1-7, Girls' Club 3, 4, Historical Society 8

JOHN KIRKLAND—Cinema Club 1; Biology Club 3, 4, Hi-Y 3-8, cross country 3, Historical Society 5, track 6, Travel Club 6, 7

LAWRENCE KITCHELL—Hi-Y 1-8, Phy-Chem Club 3-7

LLOYD KLAMUT—basketball 1-4; cross country 1, 3, 5, 7; Hi-Y 1, track 2, 4, 6, 8

JUDY KLEN—Booster Club 1, 2; TOP HAT salesmen 1-4, 7, 8, clinic helpers 3-5; JRC 5-8, sec. 6, pres. 7, 8, JRC Camp 6, vice-pres JRC, City Council 7, 8, *Mortonite* 5; Historical Society 6-8

DAVID E. HERRING—Historical Society 1-8, Hi-Y 4-8

DICK HMIELEWSKI—basketball 1-8; football 1, 5, 7, Historical Society 1-8, track 2, 1, cross country 3, M-Gub 3-8, baseball 8

ALICE JEANNE HOPMAN—Booster Club 1-5, cheerleaders 1, 4; GAA 1; band 2 frosh class sec., PTA 2, 4, 5, 7; homecoming court 3, 8; monitors 3, 5; soph. class sec., TOP HAT salesmen 4; NHS 6-8, tres. 8, Assn. tres. 8, *Mortonite* 8

ALBERT HOCHFENS—basketball 1, 2; choir 1, Cinema Club 1-8, vice-pres. 5, pres. 6, track 1; football 2; Biology Club 3, 4; Phy-Chem Club 6; Historical Society 7, 8; St. Exec. Board

ROBERT THOMAS HUTCHINSON—Hammond High band 1-4, football 1; monitors 1-4, Morton; Historical Society 7, Hi-Y 7

RICHARD JARNAGIN—Historical Society 1-3; Student Council 4; Phy-Chem Club 6-8, debate team 7, 8

FRED JAZYK—football 1; a-v workers 3, Travel Club 5, 6, Hi-Y 7, 8

JANET K. JEPPESEN—Booster Club 1, 2, PTA 1-8 sec 2, 7, 8, student teachers 1-4, Student Council 1, 2; monitors 4, 5, *Mortonite* 5, 6; NHS 5-8, lab assts. 6, office helpers 7; st. class sec-tres.; Purdue Legislative Assembly 7; bookstore helpers 8; Elks Club award 8, FNA 8, salutatorian

BOB JEPPESEN—Historical Society 2, 6, 8 monitors 6



MICHAEL KORS—Hi-Y 5-8, pres. 7, 8

STEPHEN JOSEPH KOTUL—cross country

MARY ANN KOZUBAL—Booster Club 1, 2-5, 7; GAA 1-4; Girls' Club 5; Biology Club 6-8, lab assts. 7, 8, FNA 8

CAROL JEAN KRUPA—Booster Club 1, 2 FTA 1-8, student teachers 1-8, tres. 5, 6 pres. 7, 8, FNA 5, 6, jr. class tres.; NHS 5-8, office helpers 5, 6; Theater Guild pres. 5-8 Girls' State 7, House 7, 8, Purdue Legislative Assembly 7

ELIZABETH KRUPA—Art Club 1; Spanish Club 1; Girls' Club 2, Booster Club 1-8, GAA 3, 4, Historical Society 6-8

PAT KUKTA—Booster Club 1-4, 7, 8; Historical Society 8

PETER WILLIAM LaSALLE—Historical Society 3, 4, 6, 8, Biology Club 4; cross country 7

JOHN WAYNE LAZAR—choir 1; Student Council 1, 2, track 1, 3; basketball 2, 3 football 2, 4, soph. class pres., Cinema Club 6, 7, pres. 7; jr. class pres.; Phy-Chem Club 6 Historical Society 7, 8, Boys' State 8, House 8, Rotary Club luncheons.

PHILLIP ARTHUR LOHSE—Historical Society 1; Hi-Y 2, 3, athletic managers 5, 6, House 7, Art Club 8



SUE ANN LOSH—band 1-8, Booster Club 1; GAA 1, 2; Y-Teens 2; Biology Club 3, House 3, 4, monitors 4-6, Forensics Club 5, FNA 5-8 pres. 7, 8; Theater Guild 5-8, Historical Society 6, NHS 6-8, FTA 7, 8, student teachers 7, 8, Sr. Exec. Board

LARRY ALLEN McDONALD—basketball 1, 3, track 1; Forensics Club 3; TOP HAT salesmen 5-7; Travel Club 6, 7, vice-pres. 7; Spanish Club pres. 8

ROBERT McDONALD

BILL MAGAN—football 1, 3, 7, Historical Society 1-8, vice-pres. 5, pres. 7, 8; Student Council 1, 2, track 2, 4, 6, 8, basketball 3-8 most valuable 8; cross country 3, Hi-Y 3, 4 M-Club 5-8, pres. 7, 8; monitors 5, 6

GLORIA MAE MAREK—Historical Society 1, 2; JRC 1, 2; FTA 3, 4; FNA 5; Phy-Chem Club 6-8; Girls' Club 7, monitors 8, NHS 8

DIANA MARTINICH—Booster Club 1-4; GAA 1, 2; FNA 3, 7, 8; Art Club 4, 6; Historical Society 7, 8.



MARGOT ANN MILES—Booster Club 1-8
GAA 1, JRC 1, monitor 1-8, Spanish Club
1, 3, Biology Club 4, FNA 5, 6; Historical
Society 7, 8, lab assts. 7; gym leaders 8

MARGARET RUTH MILLER—Afton (Mo)
choir 1, 2; tennis 1, 2, Morton Booster
Club 3; library helpers 3-6, Biology Club 4
Phy-Chem Club 5, 6; Forensics Club sec
FNA 7

RICHARD WILLIAM MINGS—band 1-8,
Art Club 3-6, TOP HAT salesmen 5, 6;
Mortonite 8

ROSALIE MURDOCK—Theater Guild
FNA 7

BEVERLIE GAYLE NEAL—GAA 1, 2, JRC
1; Spanish Club 1; Booster Club 3, 8
Art Club 4, Biology Club 4-6, FNA 5, 6
Historical Society 7

JOYCE MARIE NEAL—Booster Club 1-8
GAA 1-4; FNA 7, 8; Historical Society

PEGGY MAUGER—1st patrol 1; Booster
Club 2, GAA 2-4, JRC 3, 4, monitors 4-7,
FNA 5, 6; TOP HAT business manager 7, 8,
Y-Teens 7, 8, St. Exec. Board

PATRICIA MAXWELL—Booster Club 1-4,
Historical Society 1-3, 5-8; Girls' Club 4,
6, FNA 7, 8

BARBARA ELLEN McCARTY—Booster Club
1, 2; monitors 1, 3, 5; Theater Guild 1
2, 8, Biology Club 3, 4; lab assts. 3, 5, 6,
FNA 5-8, sec-treas. 8, Phy-Chem Club 5,
6, Forensics Club 7, FTA 8; Mortonite 8,
office helpers 8

NANCY LEE McCOOE—Art Club 1, 2,
Booster Club 3, 4; GAA 3, 4; Historical
Society 5-8, FNA 7-8

BARBARA SUE McFAN—choir 1-8
GAA 2, 3, 5-8, sec. 7, 8, state aw.
Girls' Club pres. 2, 3, 1st "I Speak for De-
mocracy" contest 5, FNA 5, Booster Club 6-8
pres. 7, 8, Girls' Council 7, 8

CARL MELTON—band 1-8, drum major 7
8, most valuable 8, 1st solo contest 2, 4, 6,
8, orchestra 1-8, FTA 3-8, TOP HAT sales-
men 5, 6, Mortonite make-up ed. 7, 8

DONALD MORRIS MENTZER

ROGER CHARLES MIERWA—Art Club
1-8

JOHN MIHALIC—cross country 1, Historical
Society 2, Biology Club 3, 4, Photo Club 4
Games Club 8



GLORIA NEMCEK—GAA 2, Historical Society 3-6, JRC 3, 4; House 5, 6; NHS 5-8, Booster Club 7; lab assts. 7, monitors 7; TOP HAT typists 7, 8, FNA 8

JOYCE ANN NEMETH—Art Club 1, fall play 7, FNA 7, 8; Theater Guild 7, 8

BEVERLY ANN NOVAK—E.C. Washington Camera Club 1-4, girls' choir 1, 2; monitors 1-4; Girls' Choral Club 3, 4; Morton; FNA 5; monitors 5, choir 7, 8; *Mortonite* 7, 8, clinic helpers 8, Theater Guild 8

LORETTA LEE OLSON—Booster Club 1, 2; GAA 1, 2; Girls' Club 3, 4; Historical Society 5; monitors 5; FNA 6-8

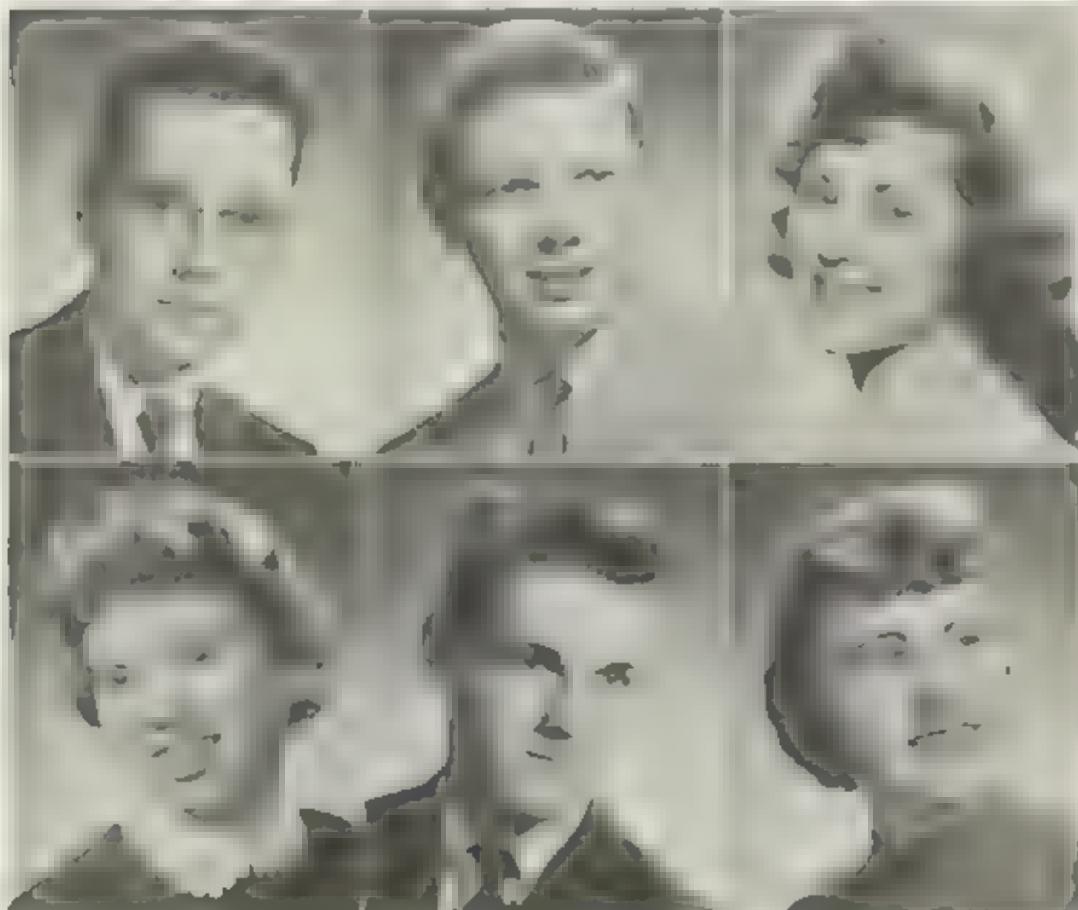
ELAINE OSOLINSKI—E.C. Roosevelt; Girls Glee Club 1, 3; ROA 1-4, Morton GAA 5, 8, choir 8

PATRICIA PALMIR—Whiting Booster Club 1-5; GAA 1-5; Girls' Club 1, 2; Spanish Club 1, 2, Biology Club 3, 4, Student Council 5, *Tattler* 5; Morton Booster Club 6-8, GAA 6-8, state award 8, *Mortonite* ed.-in-chief 7, 8

NANCY JO PHILLIPS—Art Club 1, 2; choir 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2; FNA 8

JOANN POOLE—GAA 1-8, state award 8, Y-Teens 1-4, cheerleaders 5-8, captain 7-8; choir 5, 7, 8; FNA 5, 6, office helpers 6; Booster Club 7, 8, teachers' assts.

JOYCE ANN POULSEN—Booster Club 1-4; GAA 1-6, monitors 1-4, FNA 8; Travel Club 8



ALLAN WALTER QUIGLEY—ITA 3, "Historical Society 5-8, *Mortonite* 6; TOP HAT ad manager 7, 8, NHS 8, senior play 8

JAMES CURTIS RACI

JOAN MARIE RAY—Booster Club 1-4, GAA 1-4; monitors 5-8, Girls' Club 6-8, tres. 8; Travel Club 7; choir 8

MARGE KERRICK RIGG

DONALD RITCHIE—Art Club 1; Cinema Club 1, 2; track 2, 4, 6, 8, basketball 3-6, football 3, 7; Historical Society 3-8; cross country 5, M Club 6-8

MARY RIVICH—Student Council 1-4, Booster Club 3, 4, office helpers 3, 4, 7, 8, *Mortonite* ed.-in-chief 5, 6; Historical Society 7, 8, JRC 7, 8, teachers' assts. 8



JANICE VIRGINIA SEARLS—choir 1, 2; GAA 1, 2; monitors 1, 3, 4; Booster Club 2; Biology Club 3; FNA 5-8; library helpers 5, 6; Forensics Club 7; gym leaders 8; Phy. Chem Club 8

BONNIE SHARKEY—GAA 1-8; vice-pres. 7, 8; state award 8; Y-Teens 1, 2; Girls' Club 3, 4; FNA 5, 6; Booster Club 7, 8

RICHARD SHAWVER—patrol boys 1; Spanish Club 1-4, 6; cross country 5; Historical Society 5; monitors 5-7; Phy-Chem Club 7, 8

SANDRA JEAN SHEARER—Art Club 1, 6, 7; Booster Club 2-4; GAA 2-7; monitors 2-4, 6-8; FNA 5-8; vice-pres. 6, 7; office helpers 8; Travel Club tres. 8

ALAN JAMES SHURMAN

GRETA JO SIMPSON—cheerleaders 1, 2, 5-8; Student Council 1; choir 2-8; most valuable 8; GAA 2-8; sec. 5, 6; tres. 7, 8; state award 8; JRC 2, 3; band drum majorettes 3; cafeteria helpers 3; FNA 5; jr. class sec.; vocal sextet 5, 6; Booster Club 6-8; sec. 7, 8; office helpers 6; Homecoming queen 7; mixed vocal ensemble 7, 8; gym leaders 8; *Mortonite* 8

ALLEN ROBERTSON—monitors 7

JUDI RUBENSE—choir 1, 2, 4, 5; library helpers 1-7; GAA 3, 4; Art Club 5-8; tres. 5, 6; Booster Club 7, 8

GARY RUHS—Cinema Club 1-4; Hi-Y 3, 4; JRC 3, 4; R-V workers 5-8; Stage Crew 5-8

WANDA L. SAMS—Art Club 1, 2; sec. 1; choir 1, 2, 5, 6; Girls' Club 3, 5; sec. 3; GAA 4; FNA 6-8

CAROL JEAN SARINA—Art Club band 1; Spanish Club 1, 2; Booster Club 3-6, 8; Cinema Club 3, 4; FNA 5, 6; Phy. Chem Club 6; Historical Society 7, 8

AUGUST A. SCHISCHKA—1st solo contest 3; NHS 8; senior play 8; Stage Crew 8

PHYLLIS SCHMITT—GAA 1-8; Girls' Club 1, 2; gym leaders 3-7; Y-Teens 3, 4; FNA 5, 6; House 7, 8

ROBERT SCHOLLER—Cinema Club 4; Phy. Chem Club 5-8; Stage Crew 5-8

GLENN NORMAN SCHRAM—band 1; *Mortonite* 1-8; asst. ed. 1, 2; ed.-in-chief 1; make-up ed. 5, 6; editorial ed. 7, 8; orchestra 3-8; NHS 5-8; Travel Club 6; Asian vice-pres. 7, 8; Boys' State 7; Rotary Club luncheons 7; TOP HAT ed.-in-chief 7, 8; co-valedictorian; DAR award 8



JANET MARIE SLIVKA—band 1-8, drum majorettes 3-8, GAA 1-3, Y-Teens 1; monitors 2-7, FNA 3, 5, 6, Girls' Club 3; Historical Society 5, 6; Booster Club 7, 8; Phy Chem Club 7, 8

DEBORAH GAIL SMITH—band 1-8, 1st solo contest 6, 8, Booster Club 1-6, FTA 1-8, student teachers 1-3, 6, vice-pres. 7, 8 orchestra 1-8; Theater Guild 2, monitors 5 NHS 5-8; House 7, 8

JOYCE SMITH

LINDA SUE SMITH—band 1-8, 1st solo contest 3, 5; 1st Science Fair 1, GAA 1 orchestra 1-8, Student Council 1; Booster Club 2-8, Phy-Chem Club 2-8, sec. 6; monitors 3, 5; TOP HAT class ed. 7, 8

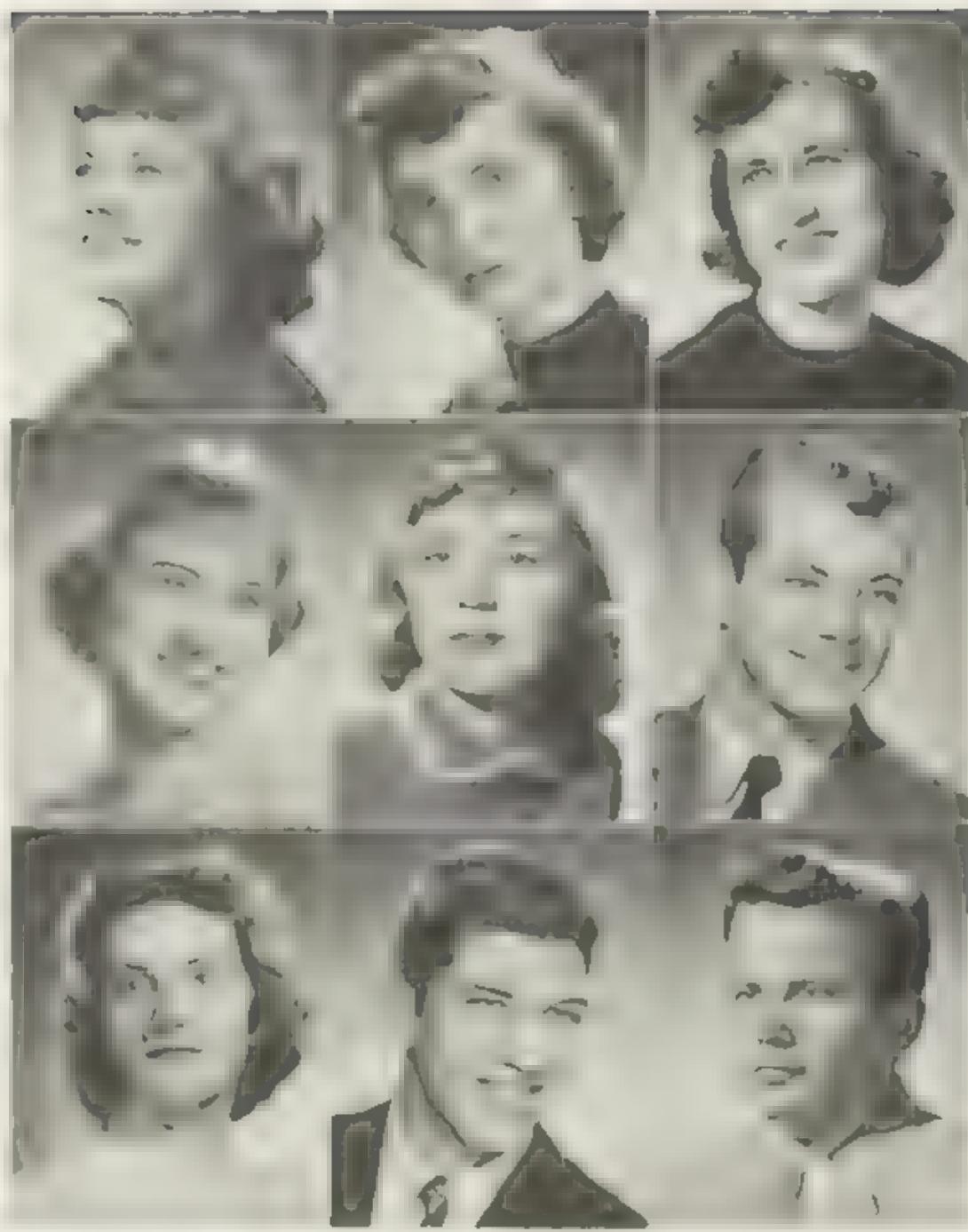
KATHRYN ANN SNYDER—Art Club 2, 4 6, monitors 3, Girls' Club 4, 5, 7, 8, Travel Club 7

DALE SPIDEL—Stage Crew 3-6; Theater Guild 3, 4, Phy-Chem Club 5-8, vice-pres. 7, pres. 8

SHIRLEY ANN SPUDIC—Booster Club 1, Art Club 3, 4, 7, 8, TOP HAT salesmen 3, 4; monitors 8

DONALD GEORGE STRYZINSKI—Theater Guild 1, Stage Crew 2; Biology Club 3, 4 1st Science Fair 4, football 3, 5, 7, Student Council 3, 4, M-Club 5-8, Phy Chem Club 5-8, tres. 7, vice-pres. 8, Senate 3, 6, NHS 6-8, Boys' State 7, Science Institute 7, sec. of public safety 7, 8, monitors 8, Rotary Club luncheons 8, Student Court bailiff 8

ROBERT ALVIN STUHLMACHER—Historical Society 1, 2, Biology Club 3, 4, Hi-Y 3 Phy-Chem Club 7, 8



BARBARA ANN C SZEPANSKI—GAA 1, 1, Mortonite 1, 7 Theater Guild 2, 8, Girls Club 3, FNA 4, 6; Historical Society 5

RONALD JOSEPH SZYNDROWSKI—football 1, 3, 7, Spanish Club 1-8

CHARLES THEODORE TARR—Art Club 1; 1st "What America Means to Me" contest 2; Biology Club 3, 4, fall play 3, Student Council 3, 4; House 3, 6, NHS 5-8, pres. 7, 8, Phy-Chem Club 5-8, pres. 7, 1st Science Fair 8, Science Institute 7; Senate 7, 8; sr class pres.; co-vedeclorian; Rotary Club luncheons 8

KENNETH RICHARD TOPP—Booster Club 1; Student Council 1, 2, Spanish Club 2 Travel Club 5, 7; TOP HAT salesmen 7

SHARON MAYNARD TROUT—GAA 1-7 JRC 1, 2; monitors 1-4; FNA 7, 8, Travel Club 8

DAVID LEONARD TUDOR—Los Angeles (Calif.) John Marshall; basketball 1, 3, Spanish Club 3, Student Council 3; Morton Games Club 7; Phy-Chem Club 7





LORRAINE WISNIEWSKI—monitors 1-8
Theater Guild 1, 2, Y Teens 1, 2, Biology
Club 3, Girls' Club 3-8, pres. 8, Art Club 4
Travel Club 7

WILLIAM CHARLES WOLLIN

RICHARD J. E. YANEK—cross country 1,
3, Student Council 1, Hi-Y 2-8, track 2
Historical Society 3-8, pres. 5, 6, monitors 3,
4, 8, baseball 8

JAMES ANTHONY YONKER—patrol boys
1, 2

MARILYN FRANCES ZAWADSKI—monitors 1-4, Art Club 3, 5, 6, Girls' Club 3, 5; Y-Teens 5-8

JOHN STEVEN ZGUNDA—football 1, 3, 5,
7; Hi-Y 3, 4, soph. class pres., Histo
Society 4-6, monitors 5-8, Phy-Chem Club 5-
7, Games Club 7, M-Club 8, senior play 8

Camera shy at Morton High

DANIEL GEORGE BALOG
ROBERT JOHN BOLA
ROBERT WAYNE FAUGHT

DAVID MICHAEL VAHORVICH

CAROL GEORGINA VANZO—choir 1-3,
GAA 1, 2, FNA 5; monitors 5, 8; sec. 6
7, 8, sec. 8, Booster Club 7, 8

CHARLES W. VARGAS

DONALD FRANK VOROS—Theater Guild
1, 2, Biology Club 3, 4, 1st Science Fair 3,
Phy-Chem Club 5-8, pres. 8, sr. class vice
pres. 7, 8, NHS 8

DOROTHY ANN WADDLE—Student Coun
cil 1, 2, Girls Club 3, 4, monitors 3, 4,
Y Teens pres. 5-8, choir 8

JACK WARD—basketball 1-6, football 1,
3, 5, 7, most valuable 7, Historical Society
1-6, M-Club 1-8, track 1, 3, 5, monitors 3, 5

PATRICIA LOUISE WHITE—Biology Club
3, Y Teens 3, 4, 6, monitors 4, 5, Girls
Club 5, 7, 8, Mortonia typist 6; Travel Club
7-8

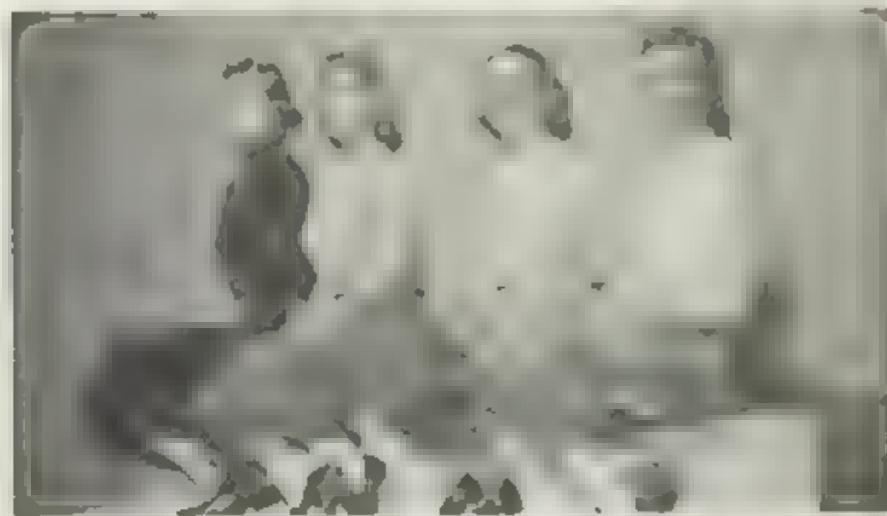
TOMMY RAY WHITE—football 1, 3, 5, 7,
co-captain 7, track 1, M-Club 3-8, sec. 5, 6,
pres. 7, 8

DONALD L. WILSON—basketball 1-8, track
2, 4, 6, M-Club 3-8



Class of 1958

Juniors' First Year as Upper-Classmen Climaxed with Prom



JUNIOR OFFICERS President Judy Hellings, Vice-President Virginia Chizmar, Secretary Carolyn Johnson, and Treasurer Margaret Beckett



JUNIOR EXECUTIVE BOARD: Row 1: Ann Evans, Judy Szyzinski, and Judy Luchene. Row 2: Janice Minelli, Carol Gatzlik, and Dave Weedon

HERE A group of juniors are decorating for the junior-senior prom, "Tropical Paradise," which was held at Madura's Danceland

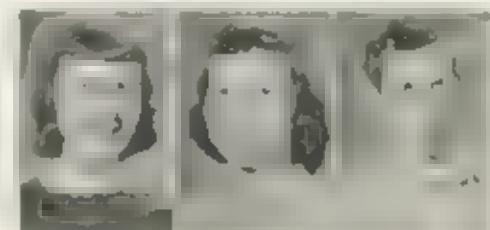


The 1956-57 school year was a big one for the juniors. Members of the class of 1958 had finally become upper-classmen; they had been able at last to change from mere English students to comp and lit students; many were finally delving into the mysteries of physics

Most important of all, they were finally able to attend the junior-senior prom, which they sponsored in honor of the class of 1957. Everyone agreed that "Tropical Paradise" was a huge success

Under the guidance of Mrs. Olive Byers and Walter Ruff, class sponsors, the juniors were well prepared for the leadership that they must assume next year as seniors

Sandra Adelsperger
Sharon Adelsperger
Bob Alexander





Janice Hanzi
Jim Harrison
Jane Hayden
Judy Hellings
Bill Higham
Janet H.
John Holloway
Joy Holm
Judy Howard
Judy Hutsler
Connie Huff
Bobby Iorio
Phil Jackson
Carolyn Johnson
Ronald Johnson
Sue Jones
Terry Kelleher
Mary Kempf
Floyd Klamut
Tony Koufos
Judy Kreiler
Jean Krejci
Dorothy Krizan
Judy LaBelle
Gary Lambert
Karl Lohse
James Louis
Bill Luchene
Judy Luchene
Nancy Likens
Karen Lutes
Jim Marion

Jack Anderson
Jim Andrews
Gene Aube
Joe Auksel
Lorraine Baut
Bill Beaver
Margaret Beckett
Paul Berta
Ben Bethel
Pat Bloom
Bill Bock
Jim Bradley
Irene Breger
Jack Bremer
Laura Brown
Vivian Buldak
Sherman Chancellor
Joan Chant
Eddie Chick
Virginia Chizmar
Sharron Christensen
Cecilia Clark
Jim Collins
David Cook
Charles Cornwell
Bonnie Cripe
Carolyn Crowe
Judy Croy
Jack Cunningham
Steve Czerwinski
June Davis
Janet Derflinger
Andrea Drapach
JoAnn Evans
John Fekete
Cleona Fields
Judy Fleming
Jerry Francis
Marvin Frank
Marcia Franke
Sue Frankland
Janice Frankovich
Wayne Gaither
Ruth Gravoda
Ed Gatons
Ray Golarz
Shirley Golee
Douglas Holley



Don Majewski
 Tom Maloney
 Jack Mandernack
 Terry Manter
 Cynthia Marcinkovich
 Sue Martin
 Barbara Marsh
 Nancy Lee Massengille

Judy Mathes
 Joyce May
 Judy McCoy
 Janet McGill
 Ella Meade
 Pat Mecysne
 Pat Miles
 Cheryl Milligan

JoAnne Minell
 Bill Mixon
 Mary Jo Modjeski
 Sharron Morey
 Bey Miffett
 Marsha Muha
 Carol Nemcek
 Bob Oberle

Bob Pandak
 Connie Parsons
 Gloria Patrick
 Juanita Paquin
 Marie Peceln
 Sverrie Perdew
 Ann Peterson
 Eugene Peto

Wally Phares
 Maryanne Prinlich
 Eugene Pringle
 Barry Quigg
 Jim Rebinski
 Leman R.ley
 Bob Ritz
 Don Roberts
 Leroy Robinson
 Pauline Robinson
 John Rosek
 Judy Rosenberger
 Ronald Scartozzi
 Janet Schumming
 Pat Sebahar
 Michael Shanahan



Rita Shebesh
 Bruce Sheline
 Marge Sherrick
 Al Shike
 Ken Simmers
 Mary Skertich
 Bob Smalley
 Darlene Smith
 Simone Smith
 Tim Socket
 Ray Stirling
 Rochelle Stowers
 Judy Stryzinski
 Donna Stuhlmacher
 Steve Suto
 Don Svenningsen
 Marlene Tall
 Bonnie Thomas
 Ken Ventrella
 Margaret Vickerman
 Gilbert Walter
 Margaret Walter
 Judy Warren
 David Weedon
 Floyd White
 Ronny Wiggins
 Wanda Williams
 Wilma Williams
 Grace Wilson
 Joe Wysong
 Chuck Yates
 Jeff Zaremba

Led by George Baldea, president; Judy McCoy, vice president, and Jean Cvitkovich, secretary-treasurer, this year's sophomores decided at a class meeting to charge \$1.00 dues from each class member and to sponsor a dance, Campus Capers, at which guests wore Bermuda shorts.



SOPHOMORE OFFICERS
Judy McCoy, George
Baldea, and Jean Cvitko-
vich

Maryann Adams
Sharon Adams
Teddy Allen
Ron Anderson
Tony Anderson
Marvin Aumiller
Richard Austin
Zoe Bachmann
Bonnie Baker
Janet Baker
George Baldea
Andrea Banas
Diana Barragree
Charlotte Bitner
Ann Bolen
Diane Bradford
Hank Bremer
JoAnn Brilmyer
Ed Brink
Lorraine Brosman
Joan Brown
Carol Bubac
Kathy Burdeau
Janet Camp
Richard Canady
Bill Carney
Rodney Challman
Dennis Churilla
Bonnie Comer
Mary Ann Cook
Cecile Crites
Ron Cunningham
Jean Cvitkovich
JoAnn Cvitkovich
Marilyn Detvay
Janet Diehl
Judy Dowling
James Drangmeister
Joyce Dukeman
Karen Duncan
Pat Dunn
Gordon Elkins

Class of 1959

Sophs Study Gerunds, Read SILAS MARNER, Dissect Worms



Bonnie Elman
 Juanita Emerson
 Sharon Enoksen
 Dan Evans
 JoAnn Evans
 Alice Evert
 Frank Falusi
 Bill Fansler
 Art Fisher
 Ruth Fisher
 Jack Fleischer
 Sam Fhtar
 Pat Florey
 Juanita Fox
 Shirley Frohock
 Sandra Garnalen
 Clark Gardner
 Kay Gasaway
 Terry Gaughan
 Gary Gill
 Joyce Guerin
 Dan Hoggatt
 Rosalie Hammond
 Charles Hansen
 Dixie Harrison
 Florence Hart
 Steve Hawks
 Kathy Hindmarch
 Lenore Hinn
 Warren Huber
 John Huff
 Larry Irvin
 Don Jeneske
 Vicki Jenkins
 Carol Jeppeson
 Jerry Johnson
 Jerry Jones
 Joan Kaczka
 Ruth Kessler
 Ed Klara
 Don Knerneen
 Bersal Kohut
 Rita Kovach
 Donna Kraglund
 Bernadette Kristoff
 Carol Krizman
 Gretchen Krughoff
 Edward Krupa
 Kathy Kwashy
 Barbara LaBelle
 Jerry Leedy
 Jill Listenberger
 Judy Lutes
 Judy Lundgren
 Don MacCartney
 Jim Mahan



Sally Majewski
 Andrew Marek
 Judy Marley
 Jack Marquiss
 Mary Marquiss
 Mark Matovina
 Floyd McDonald
 Jan Meyer
 Frank Micka
 Gloria Mierzwa
 Peggy Mklusak
 Betsy Mller
 David Mline
 Stanley Mize
 Carole Moats
 Estela Moore
 Phyllis Nelson
 Bill Novath
 Maureen O'Boyle
 Roy Ogborn
 Dennis Orr
 Larry Overstreet
 Tony Paglarulo
 Chuck Paree





Eddie Vickerman
Tim Volkman
Lois Walder
Dolores Walker
Carole Wampler
Bill Ward
Judy Watson
Bill Wein
Daniel Weiss
Pat Weiss
Darryl Welty
Esther West
Ray White
Clem Wiecheck
Barbara Williams
James Williams
Martha Williams
Donna Woerner
Lamont Wolf
Sharon Woolsey
Dave Wright
Ralph Yanek
Gail Zea
Betty Zitko

Gary Paquin
Anne Parson
Ann Peceln
Sandy Pelhank
Diane Pete
Steve Pete
Terry Plesek
Charles Pitzele
Tom Pumnea
Tom Race
Tony Razzini
Bruce Robertson
John Rolfe
Dotty Rosenberger
Joe Ross
Mariell Royer
Dolores Rutchie
Marilyn Rutkowski
Bill Rutter
Linda San
James Soltan
Margie Schaeffer
Bill Schmidt
Leroy Schmoekel
Tanna Scofield
Bill Shannon
Phil Shanta
Pat Shay
Gale Shearer
Roger Sheline
Pat Sheldadine
Steve Shondel
Mike Simmers
Sarah Skelton
Larry Smith
Robert Smith
Rudy Smith
Gordon Spellman
Regina Spencer
Paula Spiale
Sharon Stefano
Bob Stewart
Jerry Steele
Sharon Sutton
Judy Svensson
Christine Swatok
Frank Szepanski
Jan Taylor
Joan Thomas
Judy Thomas
Ray Tobias
Randy Tomsic
Mildred Tubach
Doris Tudor
Harold Tunis
Carol Van Senas

Class of 1960

Frosh Learn Locker Combinations, Study Mythology and Geography

Nancy Feldt was elected president of the class of 1960; David Wollin, vice-president, and Betty Takacs, secretary-treasurer.

The freshmen enjoyed the 1956-57 school year, when they could finally attend high school dances, when those of them who took Latin at last learned how to conjugate *sum*, when they read *David Copperfield*.

The class officers tried to have the class sponsor several money-making events but were unsuccessful.

FRESHMAN OFFICERS
David Wollin, Nancy
Feldt, and Betty Takacs.



Sally Aageberg
 Ron Adelsperger
 Paul Ammerman
 Bessie Anderson
 Ronald Bach
 Judith Baggerly
 Eleanor Baldin
 Eleanore Bolka
 Marilyn Balog
 Gary Barnes
 Barbara Barr
 Kathie Barragree
 Margaret Baut
 Janet Bedwell
 Ned Berbeco
 Arnie Bern
 Barbara Bernard
 Peggy Bevan
 Judy Bogan
 Wayne Bohacik
 Jim Boland
 Mary Bolen
 Ronald Bond
 Frank Boskovich
 George Bradburn
 Juanita Brady
 Kathy Brady
 Greg Brockman
 Richard Brooke
 Sandra Buldak
 Marge Burton
 Don Butler
 Shirley Byrd
 David Byrne



Bill Goodson
Kay Goodson
Ralph Goodwine
Richard Gaydos
Edwina Greevic
Marilyn Gruska
Edward Guzis
Carol Hanson
Linda Hart
Connie Hatfield
Jim Hayden
Neena Hayworth
Carol Helding
Bill Henderson
Shirly Hess
Lee Hickman
Jerry Hicks
Tom Hoffman
Carol Holloway
Virginia Holloway
Davie Holmes
Barbara Horvath
Bob Hrustyk
Jack Hutchinson
Bonnie Jackowski
Leroy Johnson
Linda Johnson
Marilyn Johnson
Ray Johnson
Ed Johnston
Harold Jones
Jim Kackley

Sandy Capalby
Sheila Carlson
Carla Carstensen
Jack Carter
June Cernevski
Ray Chando
Ritea Christensen
Bernie Churilla
Marcia Cook
Judy Cotterell
Jackie Cozad
George Crum
Jim Crum
Pat Daugherty
Catherine Davich
Fred Davidson
Ed Dedelow
Hazel Deissler
Diane De Larbre
Dennis Diehl
Willy Diehl
Nancy Dittrich
Connie Doughman
Albert Drangmeister
Pat Drapach
Maura Duffy
Carole Eichelberger
Lorraine Evans
Carol Evert
Nancy Feldt
Eugene Feller
Linda Felty
Maureen Ferguson
Donna Fitzwater
Richard Fleming
Richard Florence
Beverly Ford
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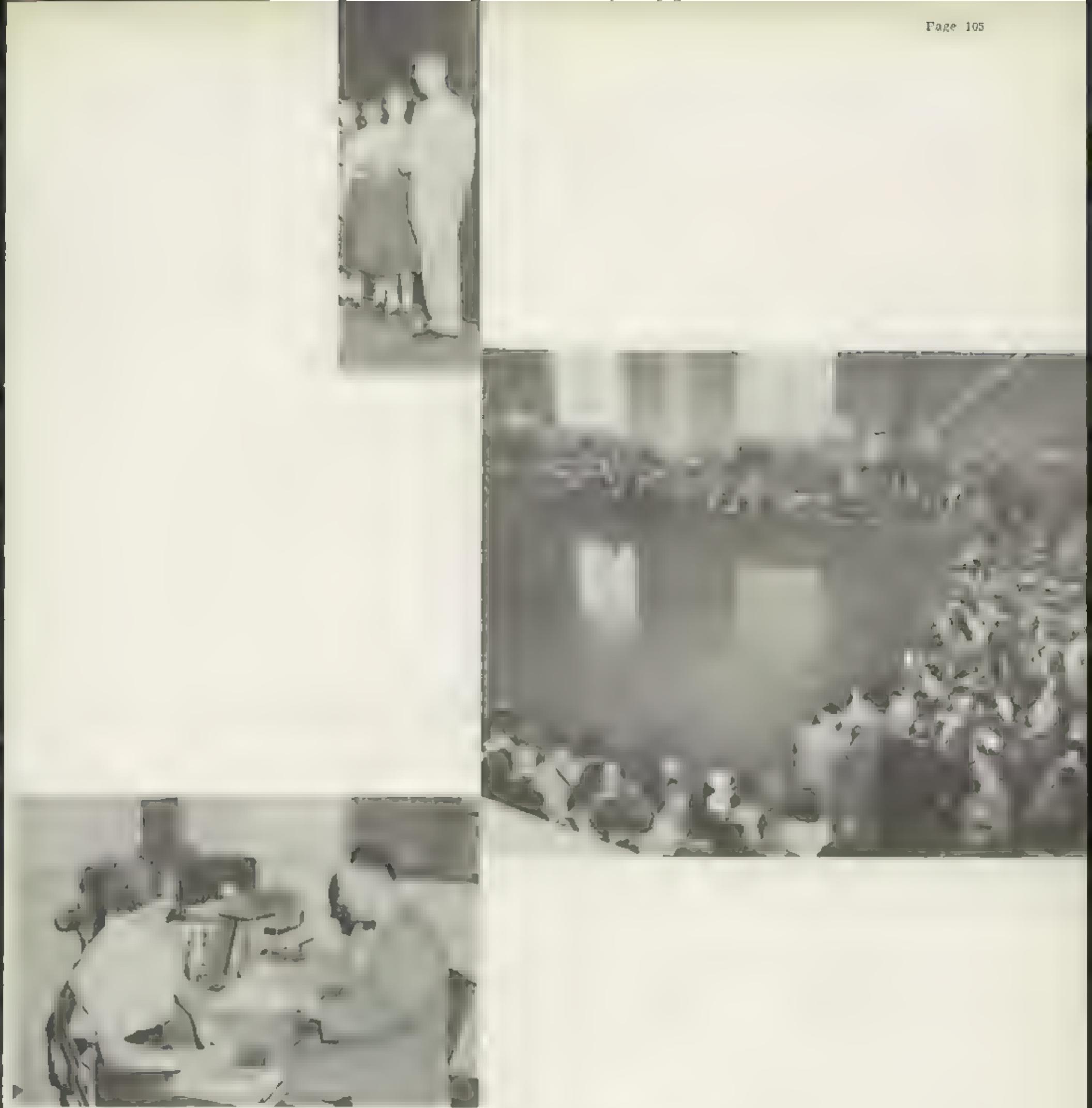
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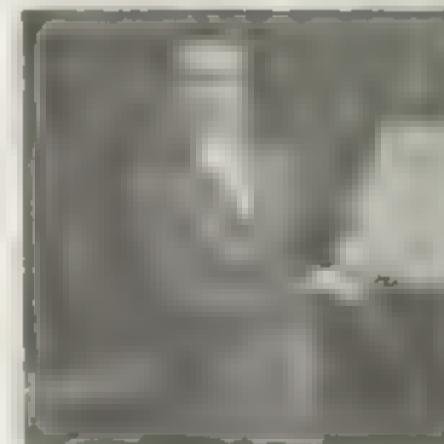
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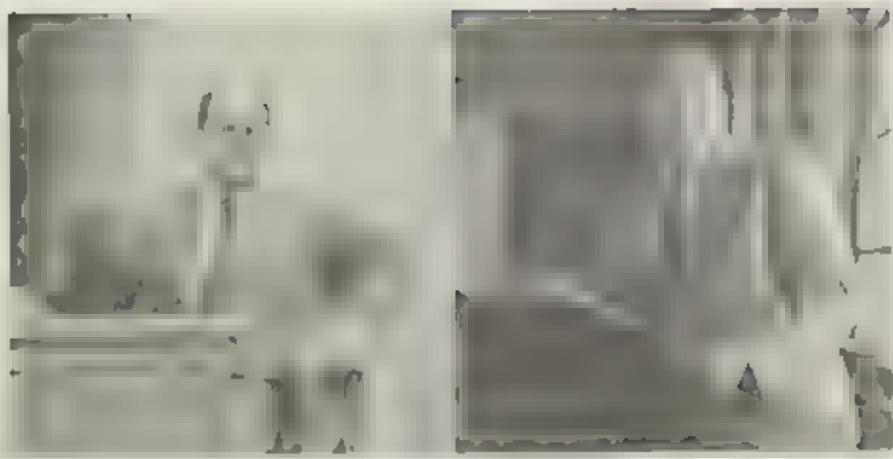
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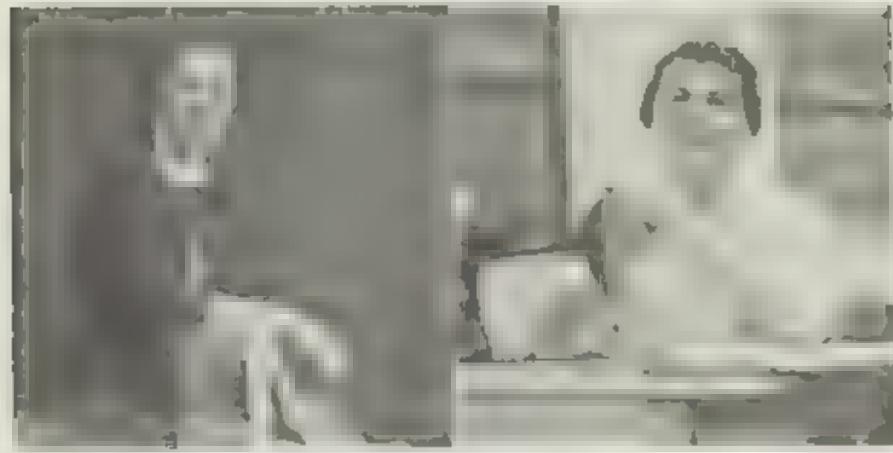
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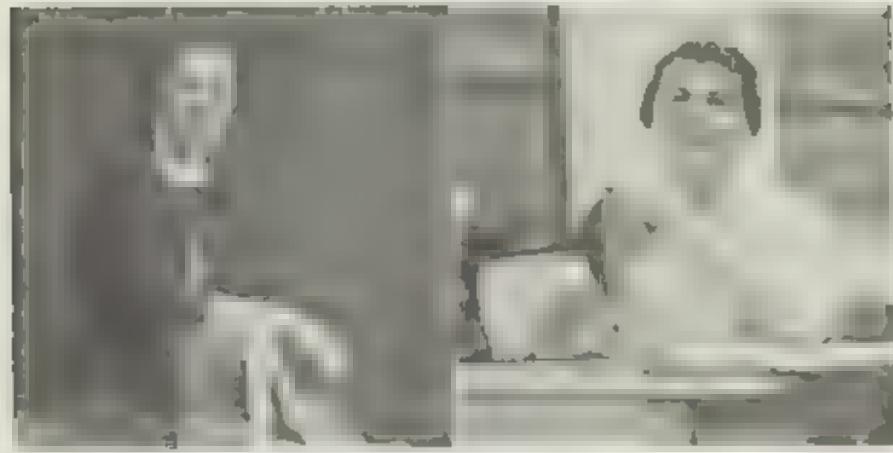
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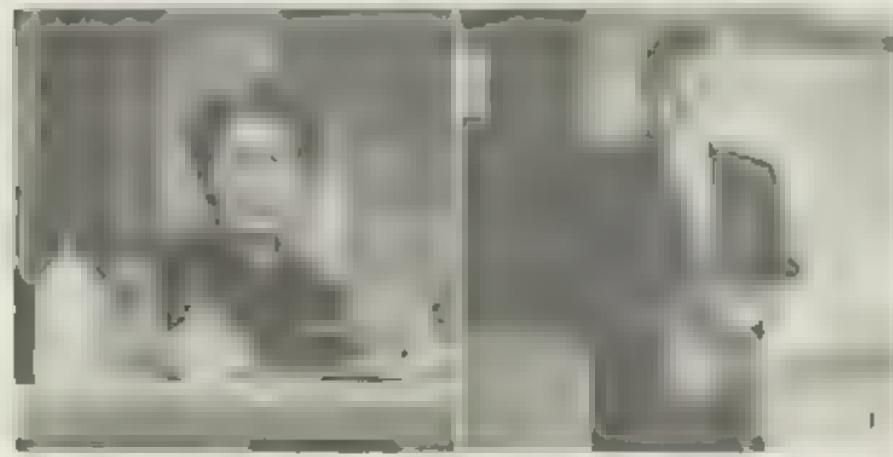
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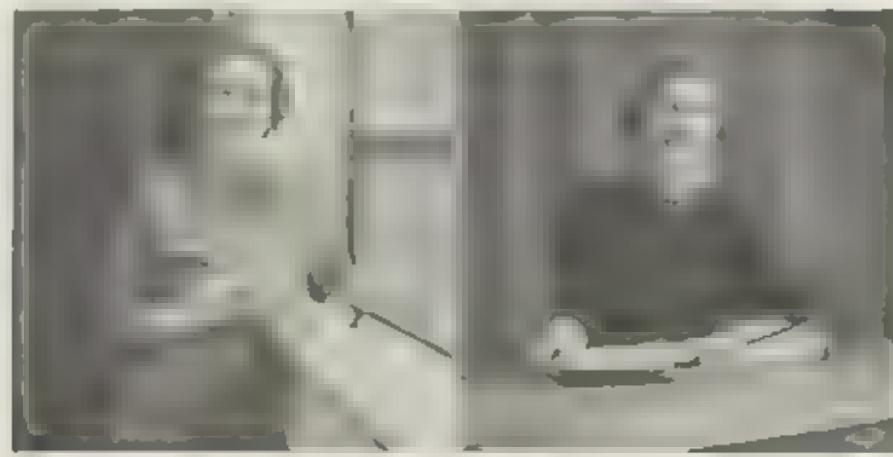
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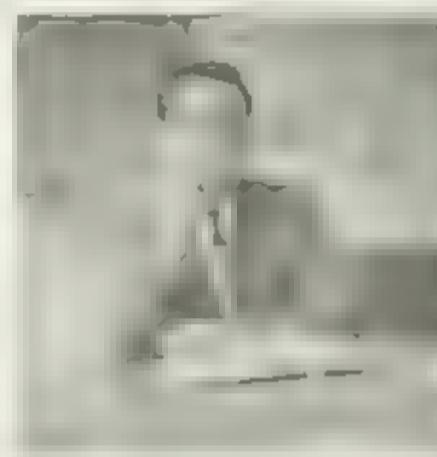
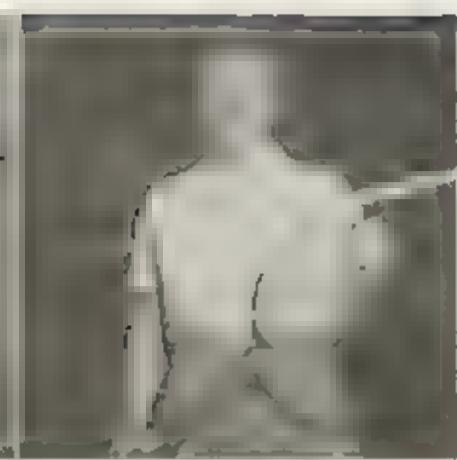
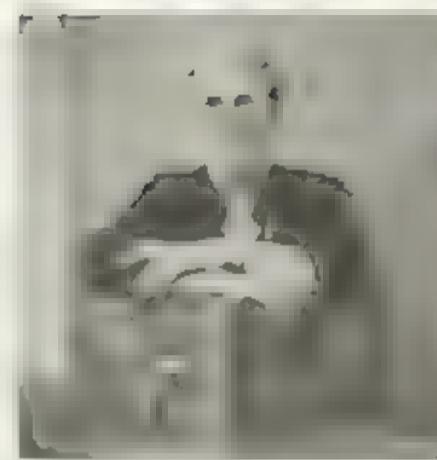
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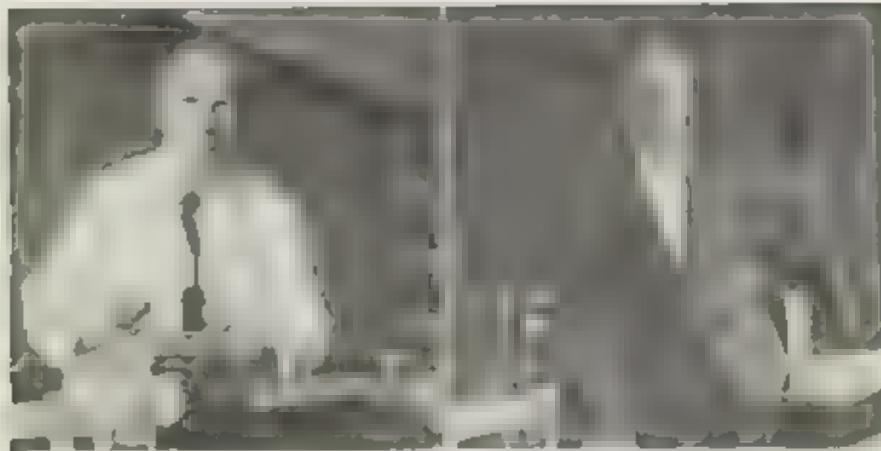


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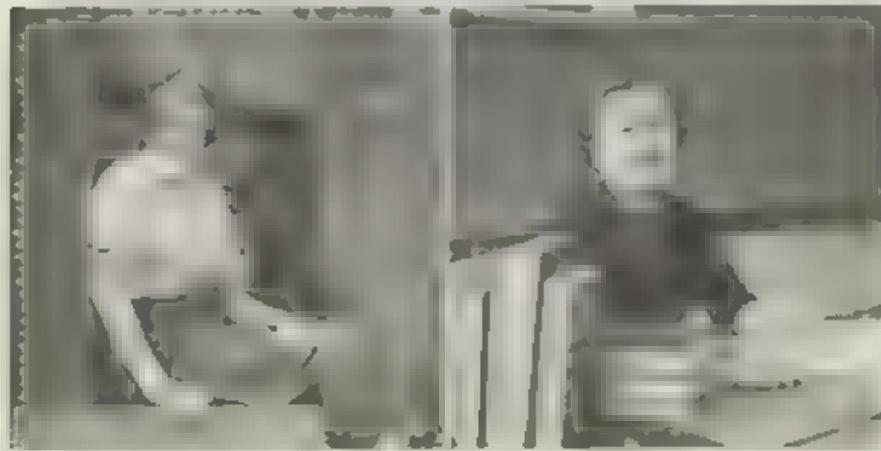
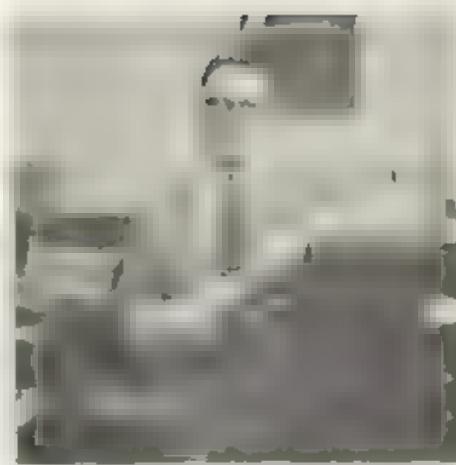




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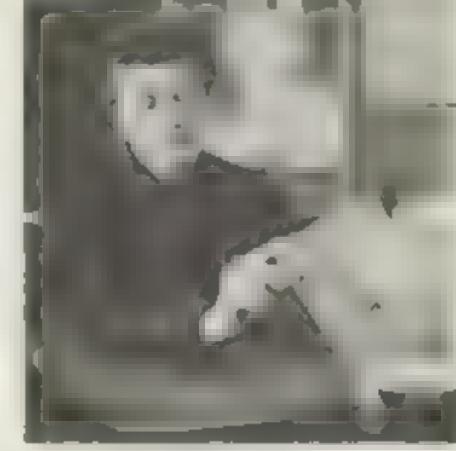
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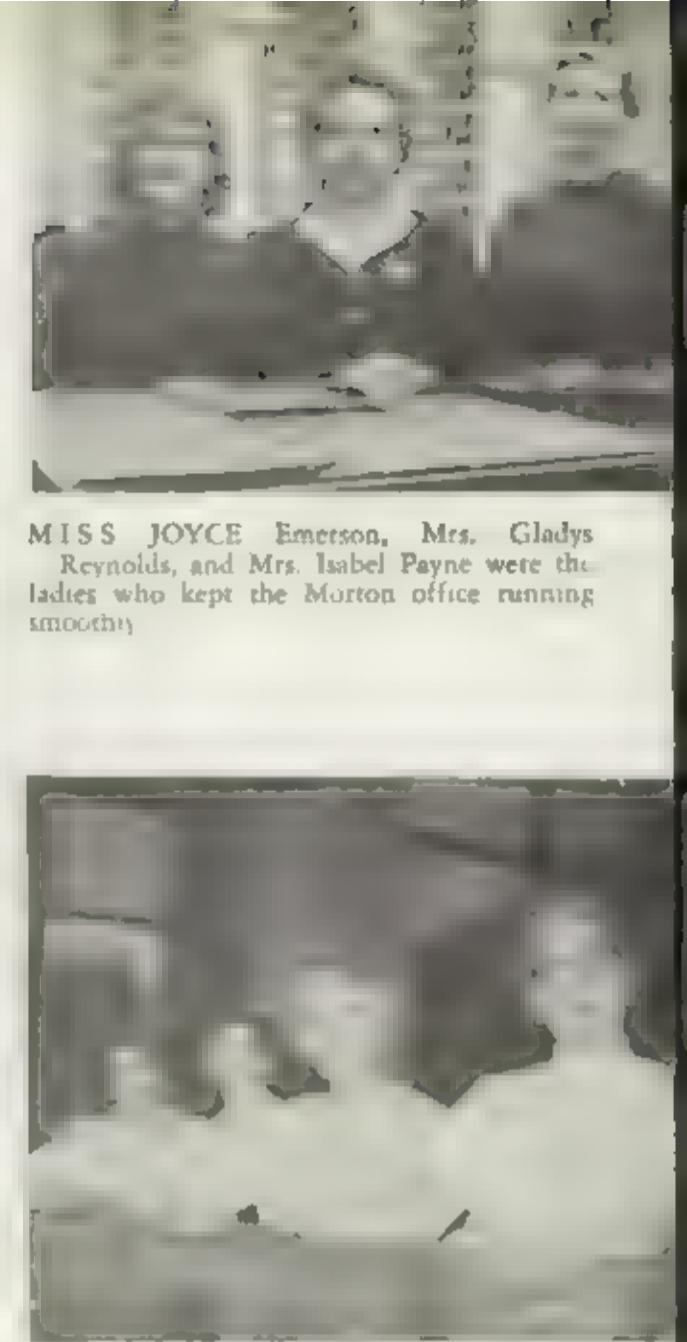
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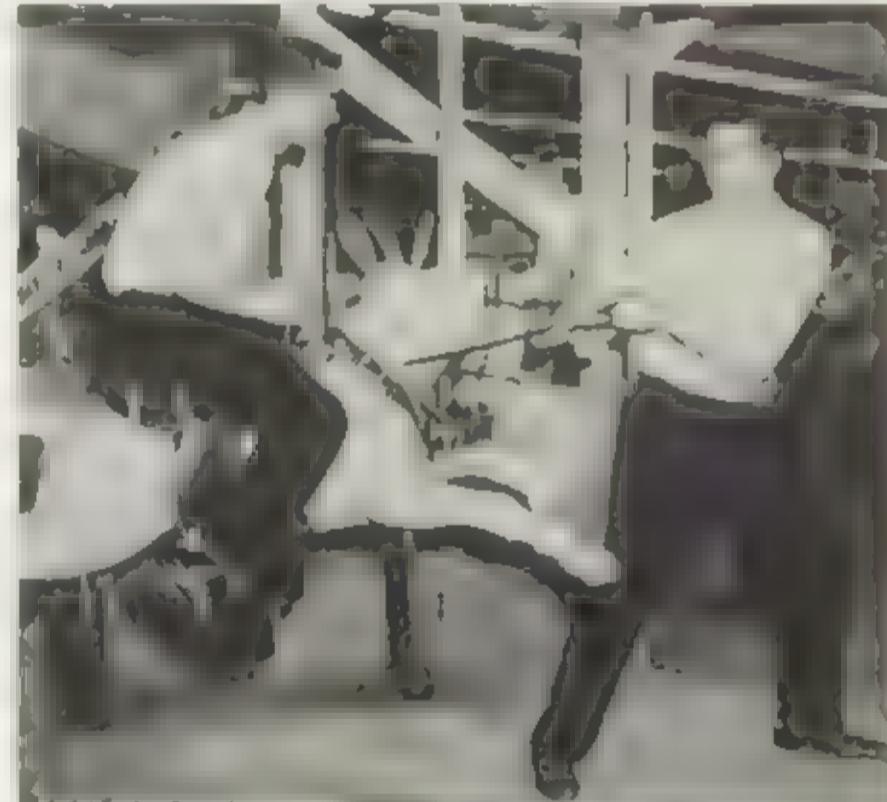
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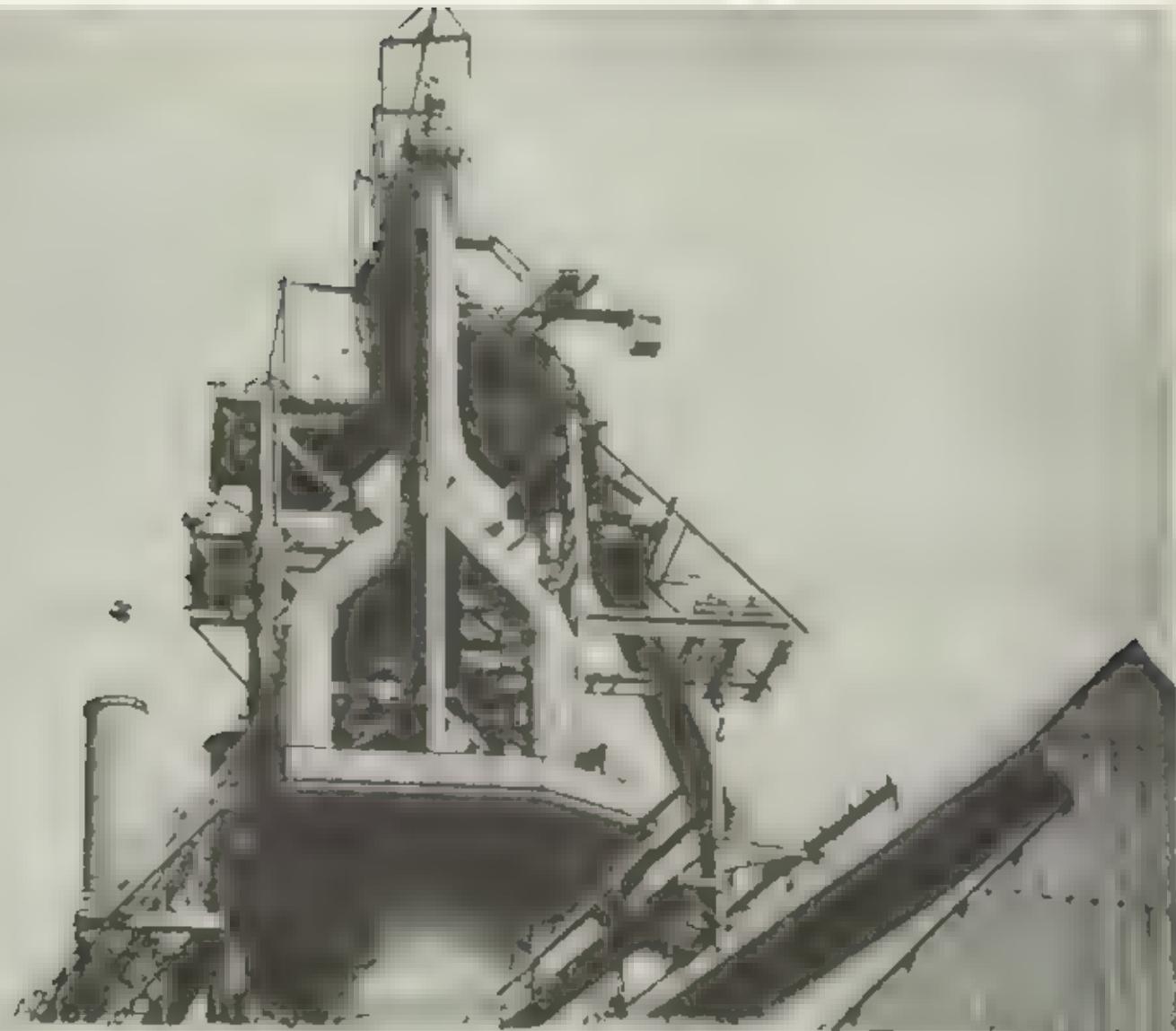
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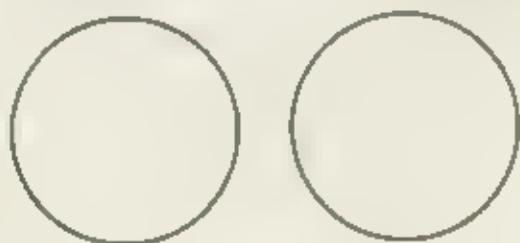
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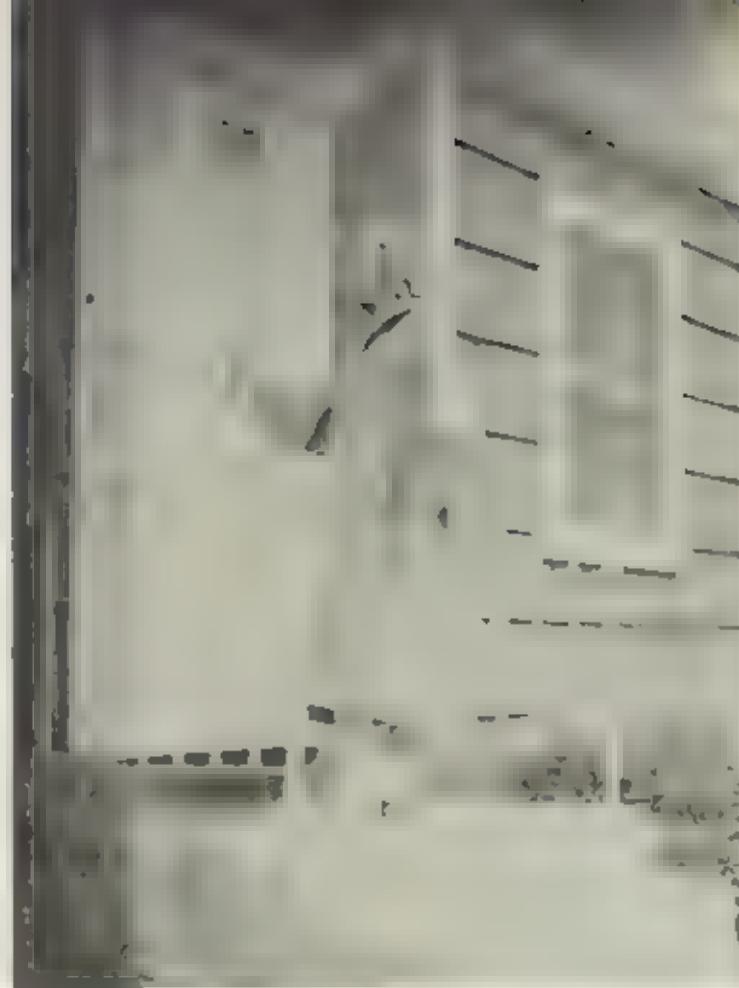
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